

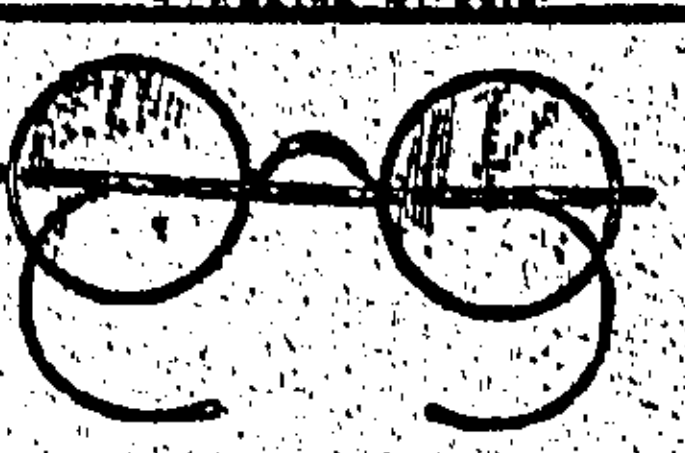
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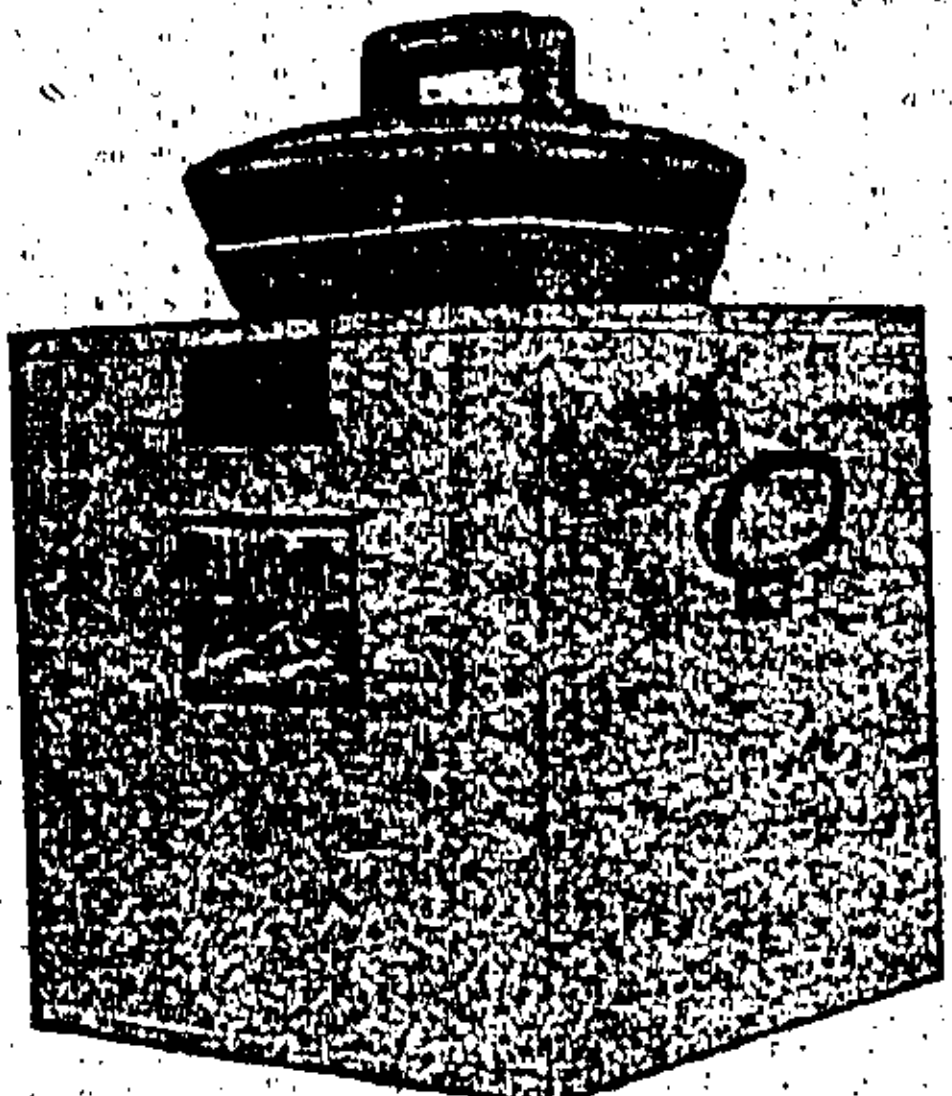
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THE BRITISH SHIPPING INDUSTRY.

ITS PRESENT TROUBLES.

EFFECT OF TARIFFS UPON THE MOVEMENT OF TRADE.

Two important bodies representing the shipping industry of Great Britain, namely, the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom and the Liverpool Steamship Owners Association, have published their annual reports, both of which are well worth reading. Englishmen ought never to forget that shipping is one of our most important staple industries, writes Mr. Harold Cox in the *Sunday Times*. Historically, indeed, it is the most important. It was on navigation and commerce, rather than on manufacturing, that England's prosperity was built up and her Empire founded. We had been traders throughout the world long before we began to develop on any extensive scale the manufacturing industries on which so large a proportion of our people now depend for their existence.

But those industries themselves are in turn closely linked with shipping. For unless we can succeed in finding foreign markets for the goods produced in our factories we shall not be able to maintain our home industries. This point is strongly emphasised in a sentence quoted by the Chamber of Shipping from the final report of the Committee on Industry and Trade issued last March: "The whole of our industries, whether making for the home or the overseas market, are alike dependent on the maintenance of our export trade, inasmuch as it is only by successful exportation that necessary supplies of food and materials can be obtained." That is the basic fact of British industry, and it is the realisation of that fact, as well as the realisation of the special interest of the shipping industry in the free movement of commerce, that makes the leaders of this great national industry so strongly opposed to tariff barriers.

Tariffs v. Trade. This point is emphasised in both the reports above referred to. Unfortunately, especially at a time when so many people are eager to promote inter-imperial trade, we find that the increase of tariff barriers is greater within the Empire than it is in foreign countries. The Liverpool report states that since the war "the main increases of tariff rates on British exports have been within the Empire, where the average *ad valorem* incidents has risen by nearly two-thirds, while in foreign countries the average *ad valorem* incident has decreased by one-fifth." In other words, we are getting more assistance from foreign countries in the development of our export trade

than we are from countries within the Empire. As a particular example of how tariff barriers interfere with the movement of trade, it is interesting to quote the action taken last spring by the Dutch Tea Importers Association. The body was very much distressed when the tea duty in England was abolished, and at once presented a report to the Dutch Government, saying that the effect of abolishing the tea duty in England would be to make it easier and cheaper to handle tea in London than in Amsterdam, with the result that London would gain an advantage over Amsterdam in the re-export trade. The Association, therefore, asked that the Dutch duty on tea should also be abolished.

To demonstrate the importance of the shipping industry to Great Britain striking figures are given in the report of the Chamber of Shipping. They show that Great Britain's share of the tonnage of the whole world is as high as one-third, and that the gross earnings of our shipping are round about £190,000,000 a year. This money is spent on providing healthy and stimulating employment for thousands of British seamen and also for providing a large part of the employment of those persons who are engaged in equipping that industry, notably the shipbuilders.

Too Much Tonnage.

Unfortunately, however, shipping, like many other industries in our own country and in other countries as well, is not at the present time in a very happy condition. It is up against the crude difficulty that there is too much tonnage afloat, with the result that ships that ought to be at sea are laid up in harbour. World tonnage, in fact, has expanded at a greater rate than world trade. Also, it is notable that the greater speed of our ships, by increasing their efficiency, has rendered less tonnage necessary. As a consequence of this increased competition of ships for the amount of trade available, freights have fallen, but unfortunately at the same time costs have risen. Part of the rise in costs is due, in shipping as in other industries, to the burden of taxation. Both these shipping reports lay stress on this point. Yet the movement of all political parties unfortunately still seems to be in the direction of increased expenditure on what are called social services, and also on every kind of interference with private enterprise. With admirable detachment, Mr. J. H. Thomas emphasised the danger of this

policy in his speech at the annual dinner of the Chamber of Shipping last Thursday. As reported in the *Daily Telegraph*, he said: "There is nothing I deplore more than the modern tendency, not only on the part of the worker but on the part of all classes, to look to the Government for help. In other words, we are becoming too spoon-fed." That is an accurate definition of the present situation. In earlier decades, the wage-earner, if he could not find employment at home, started off at his own risk to look for work in the overseas Dominions. To-day he sits at home and draws the dole. In the same way we find many of our industries which are engaged in making goods for the home market now clamouring for protection against those imported goods which compete with their trade.

Favours for the Few.

Doubtless in particular cases arguments can be found for giving favours of this kind to some particular industries, but it has to be realised that such special favours can only be given at the expense of other industries. We cannot, for example, safeguard the makers of iron and steel without hurting the shipbuilders and makers of railway locomotives. More generally, as these shipping reports bring out, favours given to industries working for the home market tend to check the movement of trade, thus injuring not only our shipping industry, but also our exporting industries that have to fight for their overseas markets by the use of their own energy and enterprise.

From the national point of view, industries which are fighting to win their own way in the world are of more value to us than industries which are sitting down at home behind a comfortable tariff barrier. The injury that tariffs, whether British or foreign or Imperial, inflict upon British trade was also emphasised at a luncheon given by the National Association of Merchants and Manufacturers, where a resolution was passed calling attention to the present serious industrial situation both at home and abroad, and declaring that: "To meet the situation the freest interchange of commodities and of services must be encouraged, and this can best be effected by the lowering of tariffs throughout the world." This, of course, is the problem that Geneva has been discussing, but, unfortunately, in all discussions upon tariffs, private and particular interests are generally allowed to override national and world interests. And so we remain much where we were before.

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- 7.—Roast Potatoes
- 8.—Boiled Potatoes
- 9.—Green Peas
- 10.—Apple Pudding
- 11.—Fruit 12.—Tea 13.—Coffee

Diary of Coming Events.

To-day.
(March 27.)

Lammiets Auction: Property Sale, 172, Queen's Road East, and New Kowloon Island Lot No. 60, Sales Rooms, 3 p.m.

Lawn Tennis.—Open Singles: E. C. Fincher v. Ng Sze Kwong or Ho Ka Lau.

Annual Inspection of St. John Ambulance Brigade, Murray Parade ground, 5.15 p.m.

University Lecture by Mr. Moore on Roman Architecture, 8.45 p.m.

H.K.A.D.C. presents "And So to Bed," Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Unholy Night," World Theatre: "Westward Ho," and at 5.15 and 9.20 "A Girl from Chicago."

Star Theatre: "Dreams of Love," Tea Dances: Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

Dinner Dances: Hong Kong, Peninsula, and Repulse Bay Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

European Mails:—Inward: Europe via Suez (Rajputana).

Friday.
(March 28.)

Christian Fellowship Meeting, Helena May Institute, 10.30 a.m.

Lammiets Auction: Office Furniture, 2, Connaught Road Central, 10 a.m.; Household Furniture, 1,

Aimai Villas, Kowloon, 11 a.m., and 484, Nathan Road, Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.

Annual Inspection, H.K. Police Force, by H.E. Central Police Station, 3 p.m.

M.C.L. Games and Dancing, Peninsula Hotel, 3.30 p.m.

Lawn Bowl Association annual meeting (J. & M. Board Room), 5.45 p.m.

Hockey: Club v. Somersets, King's Park, 8 p.m.

Lawn Tennis.—Open Doubles: F. A. Redmond and A. L. Sullivan v. Kong Too Cheung and Ho Ka Lau.

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European Mails:—Inward: Europe via Shanghai (Rawalpindi), Outward: Europe via Siberia (Rajputana), 8.30 a.m.

Saturday.
(March 29.)

Fantling Hunt and Race Club: Hounds Meet, Kowloon, 4 p.m.

Football.—Senior: S. China v. Chinese, Recreation v. R.A., Club v. St. Joseph's, Police v. Navy.

Junior: University v. Chinese "B," Kwo v. St. Joseph's, S. China "B" v. Chinese "A," Eastern v. Navy, S. China "A" v. Club, Somersets v. Kowloon, Recreation v. R.A.M.C.

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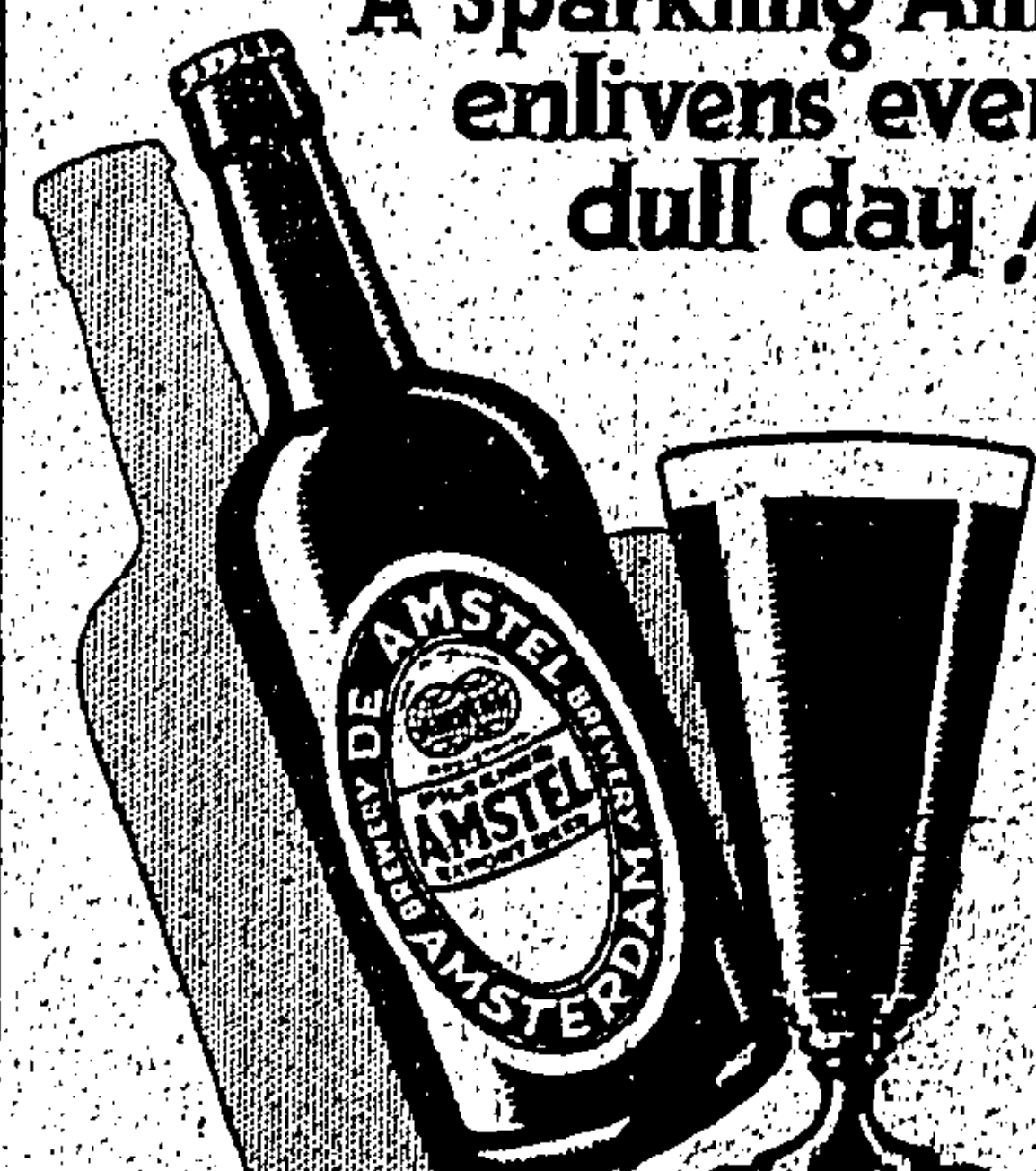
European Mails:—Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Rawalpindi), 10.30 a.m.

Sunday.
(March 30.)

Fourth Sunday in Lent. Sermon and Discussion, "Why Pray?" preacher Rev. A. D. Stewart, St. John's Cathedral, 8.30 p.m.

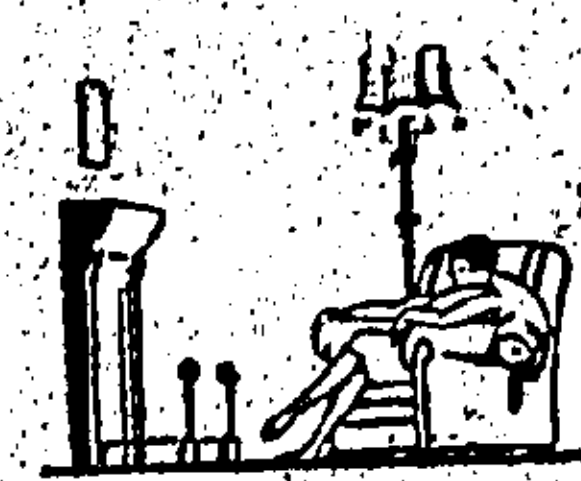
Fantling Hunt and Race Club: Paperchase at Race Course, 3 p.m. World Theatre: "Show People," Star Theatre: "Open All Night," Tea Dances: Repulse Bay Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

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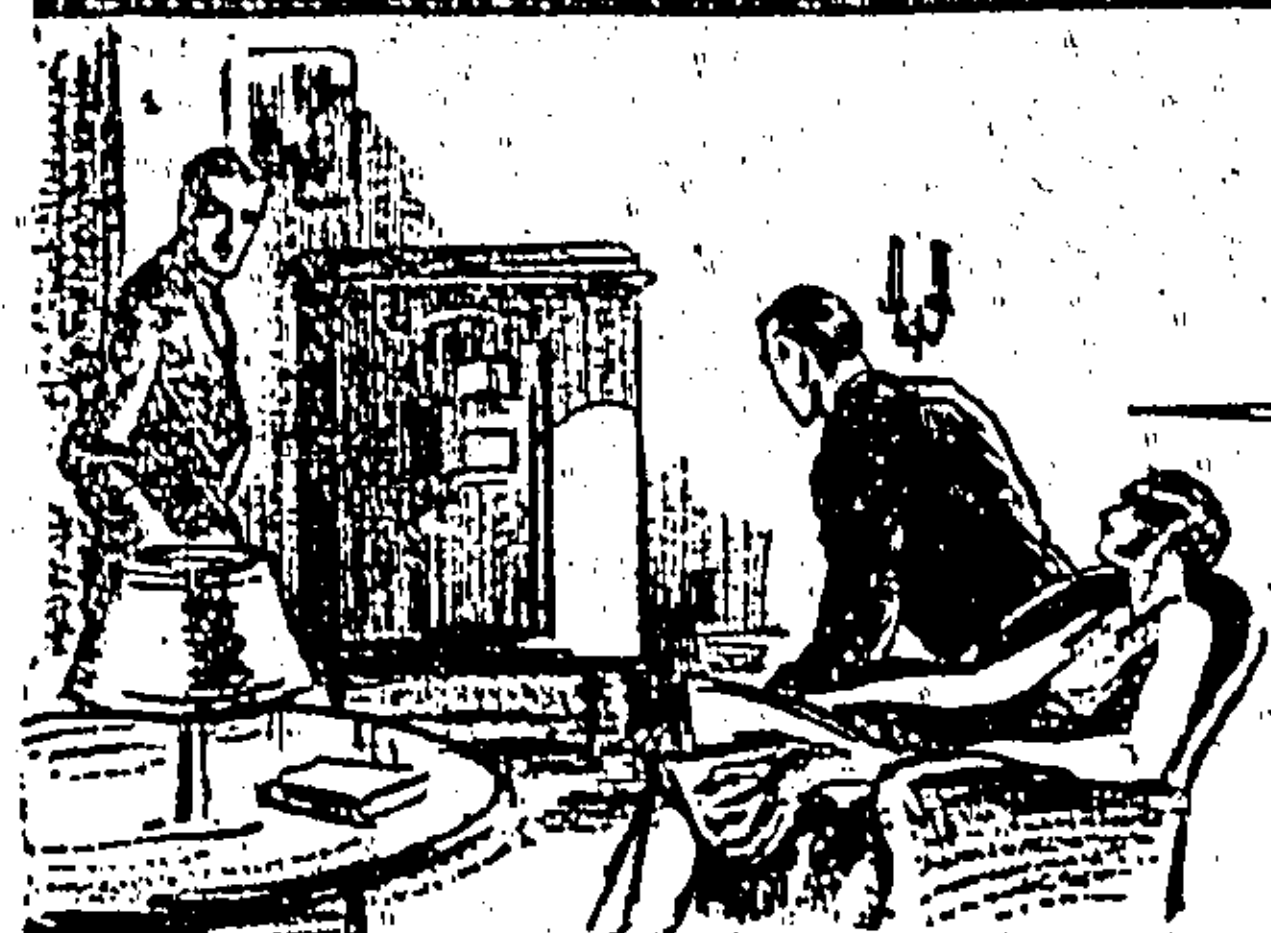
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RADIO FEATURES



HAVE YOU HEARD THESE?

Here are lists of long-wave and short-wave stations which should be picked up by anyone in Hong Kong who has a moderately good set suitable for receiving such signals. Success in picking up these stations also depends very largely upon favourable atmospheric conditions. Readers are invited to add to this list should they succeed in picking up any station not included in either of these lists.

LONG-WAVE STATIONS.

Wave length (Meters)	Station	Call Sign	Kilo-cycles
250	Manila	K.Z.I.B.	1,153
277	Shanghai	K.S.M.S.	1,083
290	Tientsin	C.R.C.	1,070
310	Shanghai	K.R.C.	967
320	Peking	C.O.P.K.	945
345	Tokyo	J.O.A.K.	870
353	Hiroshima	J.O.F.K.	850
355	Hong Kong	Z.B.W.	846
357	Bombay	V.U.B.	840
361	Sapporo	J.O.I.K.	830
363	Keijo	J.O.D.K.	820
370	Nagoya	J.O.C.K.	810
370.4	Calcutta	Y.U.C.	809.8
380	Kanamoto	J.O.H.K.	790
382	Dairen	J.O.H.K.	770
386	Saigon	J.D.A.K.	760
388	Rangoon	V.U.R.	754
400	Osaka	J.O.B.K.	750
410	Canton	C.M.B.	732
413	Manila	K.Z.R.M.	726

SHORT-WAVE STATIONS.

Wave length (Meters)	Station	Call Sign	Kilo-cycles	Time (Hong Kong) of Working
67.65	Dobitz (Germany)	A.F.K.	4,434	Mon., Wed. & Fri., 6 p.m. & 2 a.m.
60.12	Khabarovsk (Russia)	R.A.S.	4,990	6-10 p.m.
55.7	Nagasaki	A.G.I.	5,201	Not regular
50	Moscow	R.F.N.	6,000	Tues., Thurs., Sat., 8 p.m.
43.5	Rome	I.M.A.	6,896	Sunday midnight
42	Perth	G.A.G.	7,142	Daily 6.30 p.m. & 11 p.m.
41.3	Singapore	V.S.I.A.B.	7,810	Not regular
39.3	Kootwijk (Holland)	P.C.L.	7,780	Daily 11 p.m.
37	Bangkok (Siam)	H.S.A.P.J.	8,128	Mon. & Fri., 9 p.m.—1 a.m.
32.9	Sydney	Z.B.L.	9,230	Not regular
31.55	Melbourne	A.L.O.	9,503	Not regular
31.43	Schenectady	W.Z.X.A.F.	9,530	Daily 7 a.m.
31.4	Eindhoven (Holland)	P.C.J.	9,554	Fri. 3 a.m., Sat. 3 a.m. & 10 a.m.
31.28	Sydney	Z.F.C.	9,690	Not regular
31	Nairobi (Kenya)	T.E.O.	9,677	Midnight daily
28.5	Sydney	Z.M.E.	10,528	Not regular
27.8	Bamberg	P.L.R.	11,020	Midnight—3 a.m. daily
25.53	Chelmsford (England)	S.B.W.	11,761	7.30 p.m. & 3 a.m. daily, except Saturday and Sunday
24.5	Manila	R.I.X.E.	12,240	Nightly
23.35	Schenectady	W.Z.X.O.	12,550	4 a.m. Wed., Fri., Sat.
19.58	Bamberg	P.L.S.	16,102	Daily 6.30 p.m. to midnight
18.4	Kootwijk (Holland)	P.C.L.	16,204	Daily 7 p.m.
17.4	Bamberg	P.L.F.	17,280	Daily 8 p.m. to midnight
16.9	Bangkok	H.S.I.P.J.	17,761	Sundays 7 p.m. & midnight
16.88	Huizen (Holland)	P.H.I.	17,769	Daily 10 p.m.
16.3	Kootwijk (Holland)	P.C.K.	18,404	Each afternoon
15.74	Bamberg	P.L.E.	19,220	Daily 6.30—7 p.m.
15.5	Nancy (France)	P.L.E.	19,351	Daily 8 a.m.
13.93	Pittsburg	W.S.X.K.	21,540	Not regular

THE PENTODE: ITS USE AND MISUSE.

WHERE SOME AMATEURS BLUNDER.

HOW TO OBTAIN THE MOST SATISFACTORY RESULTS.

[By "COHERER."]

A reader's query has prompted me to choose for discussion this week the function of the pentode. Although it was intended to deal with this subject at a much later date, after the covering of further fundamental principles had provided a more lucid path, the pentode is becoming of such importance that a brief survey, at least, of its uses cannot be amiss now.

The advent of moving-coil loudspeakers, calling for a large power output from the final stage of a set, brought with it the demand for a power-valve capable of fulfilling the ordinary triode class, such as the L.S.S.A., answered the purpose well but, in doing so, demanded high tension and grid bias in the region of 350 volts and 90 volts respectively.

This, of course, meant to the average amateur an expensive addition to his set, both as regards initial cost and maintenance. Moreover, a slight element of personal danger was introduced by virtue of the high order of voltage required.

The introduction of the Pentode.

It was slightly less than two years ago that Messrs. Mullard first placed on the market the five-electrode tube known as the Pentode, one of the many functions of which is to supply, without distortion, considerable power in the output stage of a set, requiring merely

150 volts on the anode. Its characteristics, and action, however, differ so very materially from the ordinary three-electrode valve that it is only natural to expect that marked differences are necessary in the manner in which it is employed.

The pentode seldom works in a set not specially made or adapted for it, and to plug one of these valves in the place of an ordinary three-electrode and expect better or even similar results is a fallacy that many amateurs have fallen into.

Its Capabilities.

The pentode cannot handle a very large input voltage, while the valve preceding it (in the case of "straight" three of four valve sets) works best under this condition. Therefore, when the detector is working at its best and a good stage of low-frequency amplification connects it to the pentode, the latter will be greatly over-loaded, particularly if the L.F. coupling is of the transformer variety.

To check this, one is apt to alter the input to the detector by detuning, and the result—a poor opinion of the pentode. The use of one or two methods whereby the amplification of one stage of low frequency can be reduced in order to supply a pentode, but none so satisfactory as a completely rebuilding the set to meet the special conditions called for.

In the case of resistance-capacity-coupled low-frequency amplification, the original anode resistance replaced by one of about 25,000 ohms will usually meet the case.

For transformer-coupling it is not quite so simple, although a variable resistance shunted across the primary of the transformer, with which excess magnification can be dissipated, is worth trying.

Most Favourable Conditions.

Strictly speaking, a pentode should not be preceded by a low-frequency amplifier, but should be the only valve after the detector. There are few better three-valve combinations, taking into consideration range and power, than H.F., DET., Pentode, while a two-valve, employing merely a detector and pentode, has remarkable possibilities. The high-tension current is low, being only about 8 milliamperes on the anode and about 15 on the auxiliary grid tapping, so that, even when used in conjunction with two ordinary valves, they may be economically fed from dry batteries.

Although the pentode, to prove its capabilities, justifies a moving-coil loud-speaker with a specially wound coil, it will be found to give satisfaction with any high-impedance loud-speaker.

Most makers of moving-coil instruments recommend a special output transformer with primary and

secondary windings specially designed to match the impedance of the pentode and the moving-coil respectively. Although this, of course, will give the best results it need not be considered essential, and an ordinary output transformer will usually prove quite satisfactory.

Recently, a new type of pentode has been produced, enabling the use of 250 volts on the plate. Its power, working at full load, is far greater than any amateur could wish for, and is mainly intended for public address systems.

A Correction.

In last week's issue "Friehe" charger should have read Frickie charger and, further in the same column, the sentence "when it is intended to use the accumulator for some months" should read "when it is not intended," etc.

QUERY CORNER.

W.L.P.—As you will doubtless see from the accompanying article, you were apparently applying too high a voltage to the plate or omitted to connect the auxiliary grid connection. In any case the input to the valve would be too great for pleasing results. If you still wish to make use of the pentode in preference to your original combination, I would recommend rebuilding on the lines stated rather than attempting to reduce L.F. amplification. The latter, of course, amounts to wasted energy.

"Two Valves" writes—"Would it be possible to use Lecianche cells as H.T. supply? My set has a drain of about 20 milliamperes, and works about five hours at a stretch. Can you inform me the average capacity of one cell?" This query arrived too late for attention this week, but will be dealt with by our contributor next week.

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AMERICA A LAND OF LISTENERS.

In 1922, 60,000 American homes were equipped with wireless receiving sets; to-day at least 10,000,000 homes have them. The total radio sales, covering mostly receiving sets and accessories, for the fiscal year 1922 amounted to \$60,000,000 (£12,000,000), while in 1923 the figures were \$950,350,000 (£190,700,000). The Radio Manufacturers' Association states that although radio products worth \$2,500,000,000 have been manufactured since 1922 there is no saturation point in sight.

ANNOUNCERS' TESTS.

The B.B.C. announcers, possessors of the most genial voices, have always been surrounded by listeners with a sort of halo of perfection. Yet the standard of announcing has been raised considerably since the early days, proving that the halo was never completely justified. The mandarins of Savoy Hill evidently do not consider it justified even now, for there has lately been a mild kind of searching out process. New and higher standards of efficiency were proposed, and it was decided that they should be applied not merely to new-comers, but to the present staff as well. Temporarily announcers of several years' experience were dubbed "probationers," and as the result of severe tests they had to prove their worthiness to resume their former designations. The language tests were particularly severe, each man having to demonstrate to a body of linguistic experts that he could pronounce correctly anything from German to Welsh place names. No changes of staff have been intimated since these ordeals, so that the indications are that nothing drastic will happen, though the possibility of changes still exists. Meanwhile the B.B.C. steadily refuses to make any comment whatever on this "staff matter."

NEW RADIO DISCOVERY. SOME BIG CLAIMS.

It is understood by the public generally that broadcasting stations require a certain amount of room in the ether if heterodynes are to be avoided, and under the Prague plan stations are separated by nine kilocycles, with a few exceptions. This is to avoid clashing of the "side bands," as they are known, for any overlapping of these "side bands" causes heterodyne and loss of quality in the receiver.

In the design of receiving sets also, even in ultra-selective sets, no attempt is made to cut off side bands, for it is accepted that if the receiver were so selective as to cut out interference outside of a narrow channel of, say, five kilocycles, the result would be very poor quality.

It is now claimed that a recent discovery has made it unnecessary to hear these side bands, which can be cut off in the receiver without any loss of quality. The discovery was made by Dr. Robinson, who has a high reputation as a technician. At a demonstration a short time ago he succeeded in receiving with his instrument a near-by station clear of interference where an ordinary set failed. It is stated that selectivity is so fine that the invention can separate stations working with only two or three hundred cycles difference in wave-length instead of, as now, 9,000 cycles.

This means that with this discovery the wave-lengths problem would be finally solved, for the existing band would accommodate very many more stations, but it also means that all receivers would have to incorporate the invention. The word revolutionary has been applied to the discovery, but the claim cannot be properly investigated until more details are made known. It is stated that existing receivers cannot be adapted to take the new invention, and the device when marketed will comprise a complete receiver.

"Madame Butterfly—Selection" (Puccini, arr. Tavan), New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra, conducted by Percy Pitt.

"Walking With Sue" (Gottler, Mitchell and Conrad), Milt Shaw and His Orchestra.

7 p.m.—"A Chat On The Waltz," by Miss Norah Chilo and Mr. Albert Barnett.

7.15 p.m. (approx.)—Experimental programme.

"Schumann's Concerto In A Minor" (Op. 54), Fanny Davies (Pianoforte) and The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra (conducted by Ernest Abernethy).

8 p.m.—Chinese programme.

9 p.m.—Weather report.

10.30 p.m.—Close down.

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1.30 p.m.—Weather report.

5 to 7 p.m.—European programme of Columbia records supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Company.

"Post and Peasant—Overture" (Suppe), Percy Pitt and Augmented Symphony Orchestra.

"Painting The Clouds With Sunshine" (Burke and Dublin), The Knickerbockers.

"Fals Forever" (Rosenfeld, Shapiro and Adam), Anson Weeks and His Hotel Mark Hopkins Orchestra.

"The Pirates of Penzance—Vocal Gems" (Gilbert and Sullivan), Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

"Charming" (Stothart and Grey) and "The Shepherd's Serenade" (Stothart and Grey), Ben Selvin and His Orchestra.

"Tarentelle For Flute and Clarinet" (Saint-Saens, Op. 6) and "Second Serenade" (Toselli, arr. Geehl), H. G. Amers and The Eastbourne Municipal Band.

"What If I Do" (Williams and Johnson) and "Wipe 'Em Off" (Williams and Johnson), The Seven Gallon Jug Band.

"Gaiety Echoes" (Caryll and Monckton), Herman Finck and His Orchestra.

"Little By Little" (O'Keefe and Dolan) and "Singin' In The Bathing" (Magidson, Washington and Cleary), Guy Lombardo and His Royal Canadians.

"By The Blue Hawaiian Waters—Tone Picture" (Albert W. Ketelbey), Albert W. Ketelbey's Concert Orchestra, conducted by the Composer.

"Without A Song" (Yaumans, Rose and Elison) and "Greatest Day" (Yaumans, Rose and Elison), Paul Whiteman and His Orchestra.

"La Gioconda—Dance Of The Hours" (Ponchielli), Court Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Norman O'Neill.

"Too Wonderful For Words" (Stamper and Smith) and "Steppin' Along" (Kernell), Ipana Thoubadours, S. C. Lanin, Director.

"The Deputation To The Minister" (Ford), Talking by William McCulloch.

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The Grand National, the most spectacular race in the world, is to be run at Aintree, Liverpool, on Friday. It is probable that over thirty hurdlers with last year's winner top weight, will go to the starting post, the present list of probable and jockeys being as follows:—

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Shaungolin	Cullinan
Grakle	Piggott
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Paris Flight	Vinall
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TRAGIC END OF A PEER'S SON.

MR. A. AGAR-ROBARTS' 50-FOOT FALL.

WINDOW DRAMA.

The Hon. Alexander George Agar-Robarts, aged thirty-five, the youngest son of Viscount Clifden, was killed in a fall from a third-floor window of the family residence in Grosvenor-square last month.

A milkman and a taxicab driver were actual witnesses of the accident, which occurred at seven o'clock in the morning, when the square was nearly deserted. The milkman was on his early round, and the cab-driver was awaiting a fare on the rank at the corner of the square.

In Nursing Home.

Only servants were about in the house at the time, and they were in the basement.

Mr. Agar-Robarts had been in indifferent health, and had only recently returned to the house from a nursing home. He occupied a front bedroom on the third floor, with a small window overlooking the square, more than fifty feet above the area. Outside the window is a narrow ledge, a few inches wide, which runs along the whole front of the building.

"I was near the house," said one of the witnesses, "when I saw a figure leaning right out of a top window. It seemed to overbalance, lurch forward, and fall head downward into the area, missing the railing of the balcony on the first floor."

The shouts of the onlookers aroused the household and brought the servants to the doors. They found Mr. Agar-Robarts, who wore his pyjamas and a silk dressing-gown, mortally injured, lying in the corner of the area, and they carried him into the house.

Skull Fractured.

An ambulance was telephoned for and the policeman from the nearest point brought in. The dying man, accompanied by his elder brother and the policeman, was taken to St. George's Hospital, but died before he reached there. His skull was fractured and both legs were broken.

Viscount Clifden, who is a widower, eighty-six years of age, was in residence, but the news of what had happened was not broken to him until later in the day.

The dead man was educated at Eton, and served in the Grenadier Guards. He gained the Military Cross during the war and was severely wounded.

Later he received an appointment on the staff, and was for a time A.D.C. to the Viceroy of India. He was unmarried.

Sixth Viscount.

The present Lord Clifden is the sixth viscount. He was Lord-Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire, and at one time before assuming the title—Liberal M.P. for East Cornwall. His eldest son, the Hon. Thomas Charles Agar-Robarts, M.P. for St. Austell, died from wounds during the war.

Three sons and four daughters are now living. The heir is the Hon. Francis Gerald Agar-Robarts, M.V.O., who was private Secretary to the Foreign Secretary in 1922-24.

"FLYING SQUAD" EXPANSION.

SCOTLAND YARD WAR ON CAR BANDITS.

MORE HIGH POWERED TENDERS.

Scotland Yard has decided to divide up the Metropolitan Police Area into districts for patrol by Flying Squad tenders in order to check the increasing activities of motor-car bandits.

For this purpose the number of especially speedy tenders made recently would have a much bigger effect than in fact it has had, and the prophecy was made in some quarters that the raiders would be forced out of business.

This extension of the Squad's operations will entail considerable expense, but it is believed that only some such systematic patrolling of the area as a whole will suffice to check raids.

How Raiders Escape.

Under the arrangement hitherto in force, although a special watch might be and often was kept in localities known or suspected to be favoured by raiders, a raid would frequently be reported from a part of London miles from the nearest cruising tender. This fact has again and again permitted the raiders to escape, while proof has equally often been given that once put on a hot trail the Yard men have been more than a match for their opponents. This has probably been the deciding reason for the new decision to patrol London by areas rather than at random.

The further schemes suggested to Scotland Yard of enrolling garage keepers and mechanics as vigilance police under a graduated system of rewards payable on the conviction of motor bandits and car thieves, and of enforcing a general register of all cars entering and leaving garages or filling stations, over which there has been a good deal of discussion recently, will probably come to nothing. To put either into operation would entail a great deal of organisation and supervision, and at best the success possible would be very limited. In almost every case the car used for a smash and grab raid is stolen for the express purpose, and is abandoned as soon after as possible. Not once in a hundred raids is a garage ever visited.

WELL-KNOWN HOTEL DESTROYED.

VISITORS HURRIED ESCAPE.

A favourite centre for English tourists, the Victoria Hotel, Largs, Ayrshire, was destroyed by fire last month, and the staff and visitors had to make a hasty exit from the building, some of them scantily clad.

During the blaze hundreds of bottles of whisky burst, and the loud popping of corks could be heard.

The Greenock Fire Brigade was summoned to assist the local firemen, but owing to the frozen roads the engine nearly skidded into a

SELF-LOADING RIFLE.

TRIALS OF NEW WEAPON AT BISLEY.

Representatives of the Vickers firm of armament makers have been firing trials at Bisley with a self-loading rifle invented by Colonel Pedersen, of the United States. The rifle has not been publicly exhibited, but in length it resembles the superseded Lee-Enfield, and it is stocked and cased rather more strongly than the modern S.M.L.E. It does not appear to be heavier than either.

The rifle is not, like the B.S.A., automatic, but is simply a self-loader and ejector. The bolt apparently has a crank action and outwardly resembles that of the Parabellum automatic pistol. It is operated by the recoil, and ejecting the empty shell, replaces it with a cartridge from the clip. The hand-loading is by means of a clip containing 10 cartridges, but it is believed that shortly the capacity will be increased to 20 rounds.

The rifle has a bore of .276, and consequently the cartridge is lighter than the British Mark VII. The cartridge contains about 20gr. of N.C. powder; the bullet is streamlined and weighs 150gr., as compared with 154gr. of the Mark VII. The muzzle velocity is 2,000ft., which is 90ft. higher than that of the Service Mark VII.

Forty Rounds a Minute.

As the firing of 20 rounds a minute is a feat well within the compass of most of the Service marksmen who shoot at Bisley and that includes a bolt movement after every shot and the loading of three separate clips, 40 rounds should be possible with a rifle from which all physical movement other than trigger pressure and the loading of the second clip have been eliminated. How long that rate of fire could be maintained has yet to be determined. Heating of the barrel, eye-strain, nerve tension, and other factors, mechanical and human, apply more persistently to the hand-mounted weapon than they do to the tripod-carried automatic guns, and a pretty general opinion, held at Hythe and the other Service small arms schools, sets the effective limit of maintained fire at 30 rounds a minute.

That, however, if realized, would be considerably higher than the rate possible with the S.M.L.E. in the hands of the most expert rifleman. Moreover, as the self-loader calls for no expenditure of human energy beyond that necessary for aim and trigger pressure, its continued use would not make a demand on physical endurance over a given length of time as great as that made by the present Service rifle.

That is all that may be said of the self-loading rifle until more extensive trials have been made. As the accuracy of any rifle depends on the skill of the man behind it, the target trials here can have little or no value. What will ultimately determine its value is its reliability and its ability to "stand up" to the vicissitudes of campaigning.

burn, and had to return for chains to be fixed to the wheels. Ex-Provost Malcolm, who is an invalid residing in an adjoining property, was carried out of his house owing to the danger of the fire spreading. The damage amounted to several thousands of pounds.

KING GEORGE'S FUND FOR SAILORS.

HELP FOR NAUTICAL CHARITIES.

The annual meeting of the Corporation of King George's Fund for Sailors was held in London a few weeks ago. Although the Fund was inaugurated during the War it is a permanent fund now incorporated under Royal Charter. The Marine Benevolent Institutions, which it is the primary object of the Fund to assist, require to raise an income of about £1,000,000 annually. The Fund, to fulfil its purpose of stabilizing the income of these nautical charities which are temporarily depressed, requires to distribute about £30,000 annually.

The Lord Mayor (Sir William Waterlow), who presided, said that when the Fund was begun the country's existence as the heart of the Empire was gravely imperilled, and it was then that the inhabitants of these islands appreciated more keenly than they had done for 100 years how absolutely dependent they were on the sailors, whether of the Royal Navy or the Mercantile Marine. The outlook of the world at large on the question of war had undergone a complete metamorphosis, and the desire for peace was so universal that there was in London to-day a conference of the leading naval Powers of the world. He only referred to that important conference in order to point out that, whatever arrangements were made by the nations of the world to settle their differences amicably, no human power could control the elements of Nature which the sailor had to contend. It was only quite recently that our shores were visited by the most severe gales and tempests on record, bringing in their train a lamentable loss of ships and lives. They must keep in mind, therefore, that the seafarer had at all times a life of hazard and hardship, while sickness and accident continually took toll of those whose work was carried out on the deep waters. In the few years since the Fund was inaugurated it had distributed among the marine charities no less than £243,776.

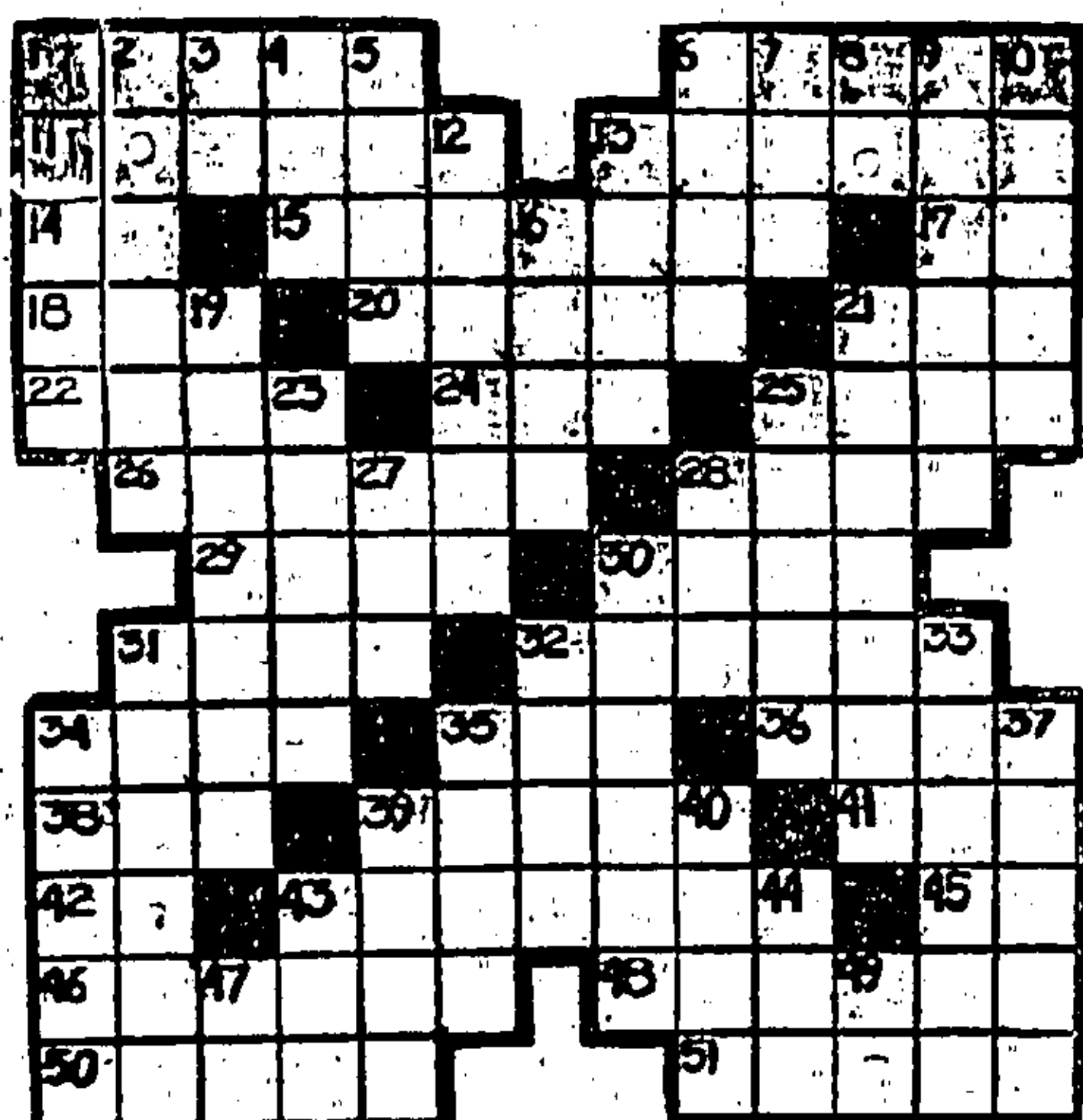
New Members of Council.

Rear-Admiral Sir Edward Inglefield announced that the following had been elected members of the General Council as the result of the voting by the life governors and governors:—Sir Raymond Beck, Lord Burnham, Mr. J. Howard Glover, Lord Kilsant, Major Oswald C. Magnus, the Duke of Montrose, Mr. Harrington Ratcliffe, R.N., Captain Harold Sanderson, R.N.R., Mr. Edward H. B. Skimming, and Captain Thomas M. Whitehead.

Captain Sir Arthur Clarke, deputy chairman of the General Council, moving the adoption of the annual report, which showed that grants had been made to the marine charities during 1929 to the total of £40,325, referred to the recent death of Sir Thomas Mackenzie, who had been a vice-president of the Fund, and said that of the munificent sum of nearly £40,000 contributed by New Zealand in the early days of the Fund, nearly three-quarters was due to the influence of Sir Thomas Mackenzie who was then High Commissioner for New Zealand. Expressing the General Council's thanks to supporters and friends, he said Liverpool, as hitherto, had not been backward in its support and he drew attention to the welcome assistance received from the "Big Five" of the great London Joint Stock Banks.

A former subscriber was kind enough to present the Fund with the capital sum of his generous subscription, the interest on which would be considered as his subscription in perpetuity. They were not committing themselves to any great expenditure for collecting funds because conditions generally were not favourable for appeal work, and it was not the object of the Fund to compete in this regard with the nautical charities which it was their main aim to assist. The Central Bureau for Naval Officers' Charities had now been in operation about eight months. By its means those who were desirous of getting assistance were speedily put in touch with the appropriate fund. Twenty-one charities were now co-operating in the arrangement. He expressed thanks to the Marine Benevolent Institutions which worked in co-operation with the Fund and acted as almoners for many special funds. Owing to their assistance, the work being done gratuitously, the distribution expenses of the Fund were reduced to a minimum, and the beneficiaries received their grants-in-aid without any deduction for administration expenses. Vice-Admiral G. R. Mansell (honorary treasurer), who seconded, said the shipping industry was depressed to an extent previously unknown as a result of bad trade. When trade was bad, it was so much easier for a trader to reduce a subscription, but if every one gave the price of a theatre ticket or cinema ticket annually to the Fund, they would never have to make any further appeals, and the Fund would be in a flourishing condition. The report was unanimously adopted.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



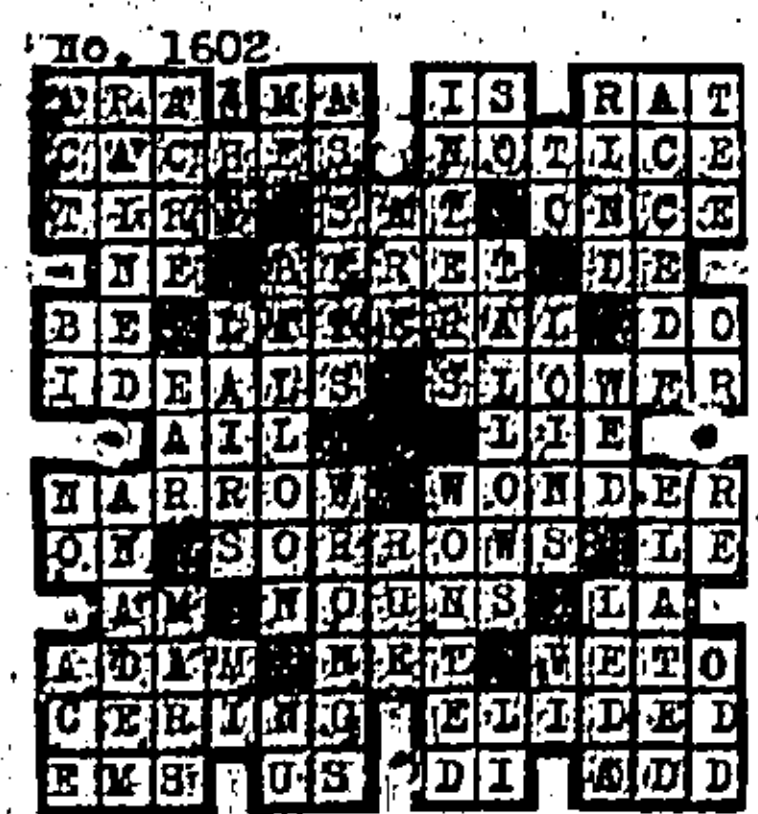
Horizontal.

- 1.—Greek underworld.
- 6.—Frustrates.
- 11.—Decorates.
- 13.—A bird.
- 14.—Within.
- 15.—Method of procedure.
- 17.—Thus.
- 18.—Youth.
- 20.—American buffalo.
- 21.—A tree.
- 22.—To dam.
- 24.—Sunburn.
- 25.—A bird.
- 26.—One who eludes.
- 28.—Woods deity.
- 29.—Blame.
- 30.—Part of body.
- 31.—English school.
- 32.—Evil spirits.
- 34.—To state.
- 35.—To embrace.
- 36.—Clan.
- 38.—To offer.
- 39.—A colour.
- 41.—Female deer.
- 42.—Article.
- 43.—Fetes.
- 45.—Sun god.
- 46.—Hurries.
- 48.—Turns aside.
- 50.—Man's name.
- 51.—A plant.

Vertical.

- 1.—Salutes.
- 2.—Grown together.
- 3.—To act.
- 4.—To mistake.
- 5.—One who looks down on another.
- 6.—Native of Finland.
- 7.—A number.
- 8.—Within.
- 9.—Injury.
- 10.—A bird.
- 12.—Sets of rooms.
- 13.—Wild beast.
- 16.—Former Russian ruler.
- 19.—Dedicated.
- 21.—Established.
- 23.—Estate.
- 25.—Showers.
- 27.—Colour.
- 28.—Enemy.
- 30.—To handage.
- 31.—To show.
- 32.—Pelts.
- 33.—Pastimes.
- 34.—To make ashamed.
- 35.—Garden tools.
- 37.—To plague.
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Batavia—Bandong: 381; Bandong—Batavia, 372; Batavia—Semarang—Sourabaya, 146; Sourabaya—Semarang—Batavia, 157; Batavia—Palembang, 31; Palembang—Batavia, 23.

These regular services are only maintained on week-days, and on Sundays the planes are used for short pleasure trips. From Tjillitan (the Batavia flying ground) passengers are taken for a flight over the harbour of Tandjong Priok, circling over the many pretty and fascinating sights in the Bay of Batavia.

From Bandong the usual flight is over the Tangkoeban Praho, a volcano which was particularly active in January last, the abnormal workings of which were recorded in this column.

Popular Short Flights.
Air enthusiasts embarking at Sourabaya are able to enjoy in forty minutes a flight over the well-known Sand Sea, looking down into the crater of the Bromo. Normally the Sand Sea and Bromo crater are approached from Tosari. The village of Tosari with its sanatorium at 6,000 feet is one of the most popular mountain resorts in Java and is within comparatively easy reach of Sourabaya.

During January 214 passengers took advantage of these short flights.

Between Batavia and Bandong the planes fly twice daily. The Batavia—Sourabaya service is a daily one in both directions while the connection with Palembang was weekly until the opening of the Singapore service this month.

Freight and Mails.
During the month under review 5,094 kilogrammes of freight were carried, the post-bags containing 27,000 letters. The short period of trial flights to and from Holland have appeared to draw this part of the Far East into very close touch with Europe and the following figures of letters carried show how rapidly the air mail has gained in popularity:—
October, 15,000; November, 20,000; December, 22,000; January 27,000.
From October to January the increase was 80 per cent.

The trial flight from Batavia to Singapore and the subsequent inauguration of a regular service has already been fully reported.

I understand the original intention was to maintain this service by extending to Singapore the ordinary weekly flight to Palembang.

I hear, however, that the service between Java and Palembang is showing such prospects of success that the service to Singapore (with a short stop at Palembang) will be run in addition. This will mean a connection twice in the week with Palembang.

**SINGAPORE POLICE
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KING'S MEDAL FOR MR. M. P. CHAND.

A well merited recognition has been conferred on Mr. Melita Prithvi Chand, Chief Inspector, Singapore Criminal Intelligence Department, who has been awarded the King's Police Medal, a coveted honour by members of the police force in the British Empire.

Mr. Chand commenced a notable career in the police force in India twenty years ago and has been favourably mentioned by Sir Charles Cleveland, Director of Criminal Intelligence, India and by Sir Hector Denny, Inspector-General of the Punjab, under whom he served.

Mr. Chand came to Singapore in 1917, since when he has done much useful work in the Criminal Intelligence Department.

He is a Japanese scholar, reading and writing the language fluently and is also the author of a useful dictionary and phrase-book in Japanese, Hindustani, Malay and English.

THE NEW YEAR IN SZECHUAN.

AUTHORITY'S SHARP WAY WITH SEDITIONISTS.

Chengtu, March 1.—Chinese New Year has been observed with all the ceremony and enthusiasm that millenniums of custom have brought to this hoary institution. It was prophesied that this year would see a decided diminution of the old festivities and according to the memorandum from Nanking that more attention would be paid to the Western New Year. But not so in Chengtu. One firm was actually fined a heavy sum (most of it was later remitted) for printing the old calendar in face of the orders from Nanking. However, this was just a ruse for the local treasury to collect some needed cash. The stores were closed for the full two weeks. After the first week many did business at the side door or with one or two shutters down.

The anti-foreign wave steamed down somewhat after Christmas. The student troubles were amicably settled and schools closed early which was what the students wanted as the most of them got off for the New Year holidays early and without trying term examinations. There is still plenty of excitement on the streets with contingents of the Communist party disobeying all rules and holding fiery meetings until broken up by the police.

During Chinese New Year a large group assembled on the new street, Chuen Chi Lu, and refused to disperse. This was the signal for the local Chen Fang Si Ling to show his authority which he did with courage and despatch. He quickly assembled a contingent from the city gates and the local regiment and gave orders to fire low. The meeting was quickly dispersed. No one was killed but a dozen were wounded and carried off to hospital for attention. There have been no meetings since.—*North China Daily News.*

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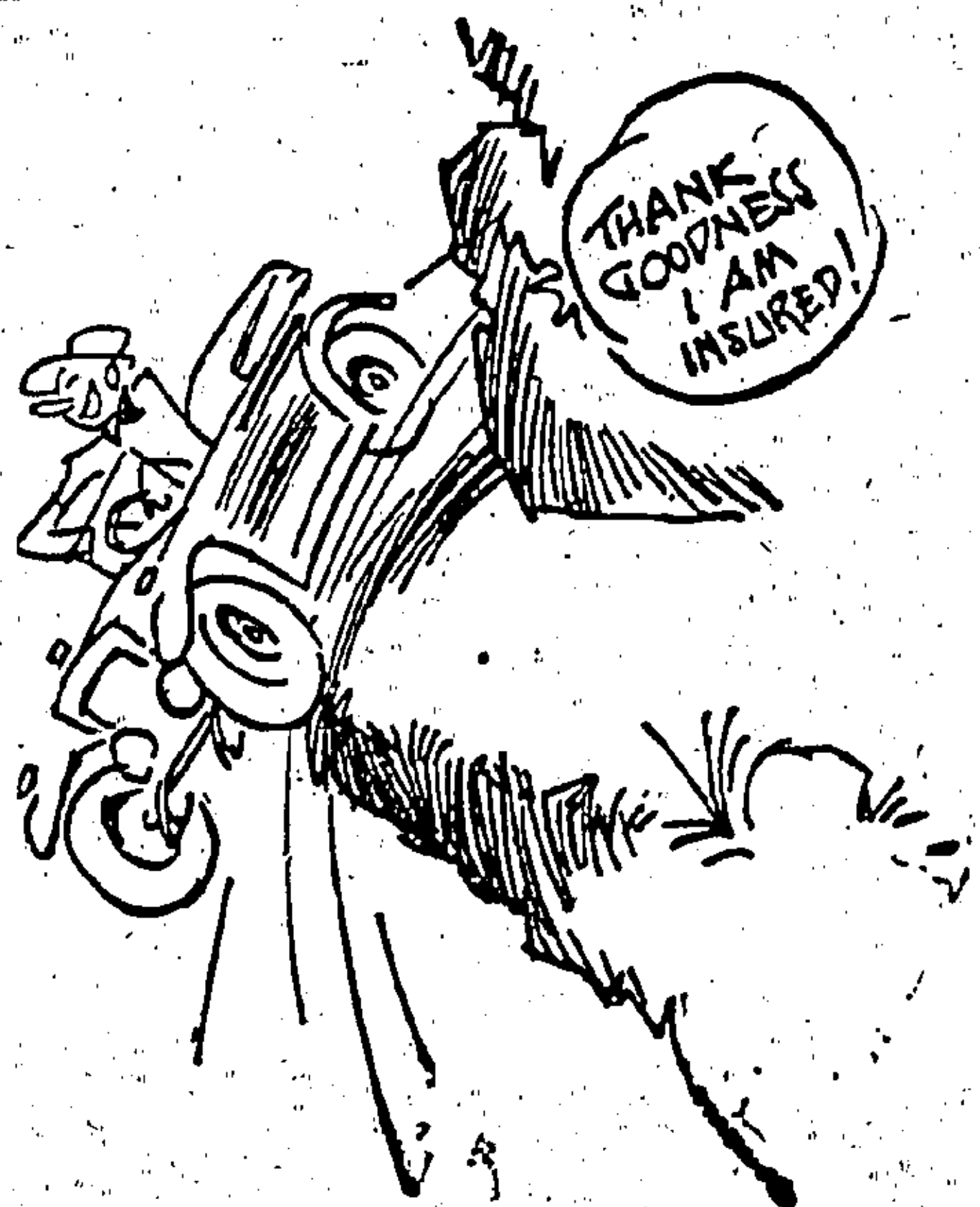
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"This leaves no doubt whatever," Mr. Ward-Jackson said, "that Dutch cooperation is an essential factor of the scheme."

Questioned as to the attitude of Asiatic producers in Malaya, Mr. Ward-Jackson said that while the adherence of these producers was not essential for the scheme to be put into operation, nevertheless Asiatic support was an important factor and was in fact assured.

The scheme has already been officially approved by the Asiatic Planters' Association of Malaya, the United Society of Japanese Planters, and the Asiatic rubber planters of Malacca. Mr. Ward-Jackson pointed out. He further mentioned that a meeting is to be held this week of the Asiatic planters of Kedah, Province Wellesley and Penang with the object of rallying support for the scheme, and that a meeting of proprietary planters of Negri Sembilan will be held at Seremban next Sunday for a similar purpose.

Mr. Ward-Jackson, in reply to another question, was unable to give definite details of the European support already accorded in Malaya, but he pointed out that Harrison

"There is not the slightest fear," Mr. Ward-Jackson proceeded, "that estate labourers employed by responsible employers will be made to suffer in any way if and when the scheme comes into operation. General estate work can and will be found for tappers. No properly organised estate could afford, or indeed would desire, to discharge its labour force just because tapping was suspended for one month."

Commenting on Mr. Veerasamy's reference to the provisions of the Labour Cod-Ordinance requiring an employer to provide work for his men in each calendar month, he said a labourer providing himself and his family with food, clothing and shelter would be able to do so. Mr. Ward-Jackson said: "I can assure Mr. Veerasamy that the provision will—in his own words—be honoured 'in the spirit and the letter, and that there will be no need for Government to take any action in relation to this aspect of the scheme.'—*Straits Times*.

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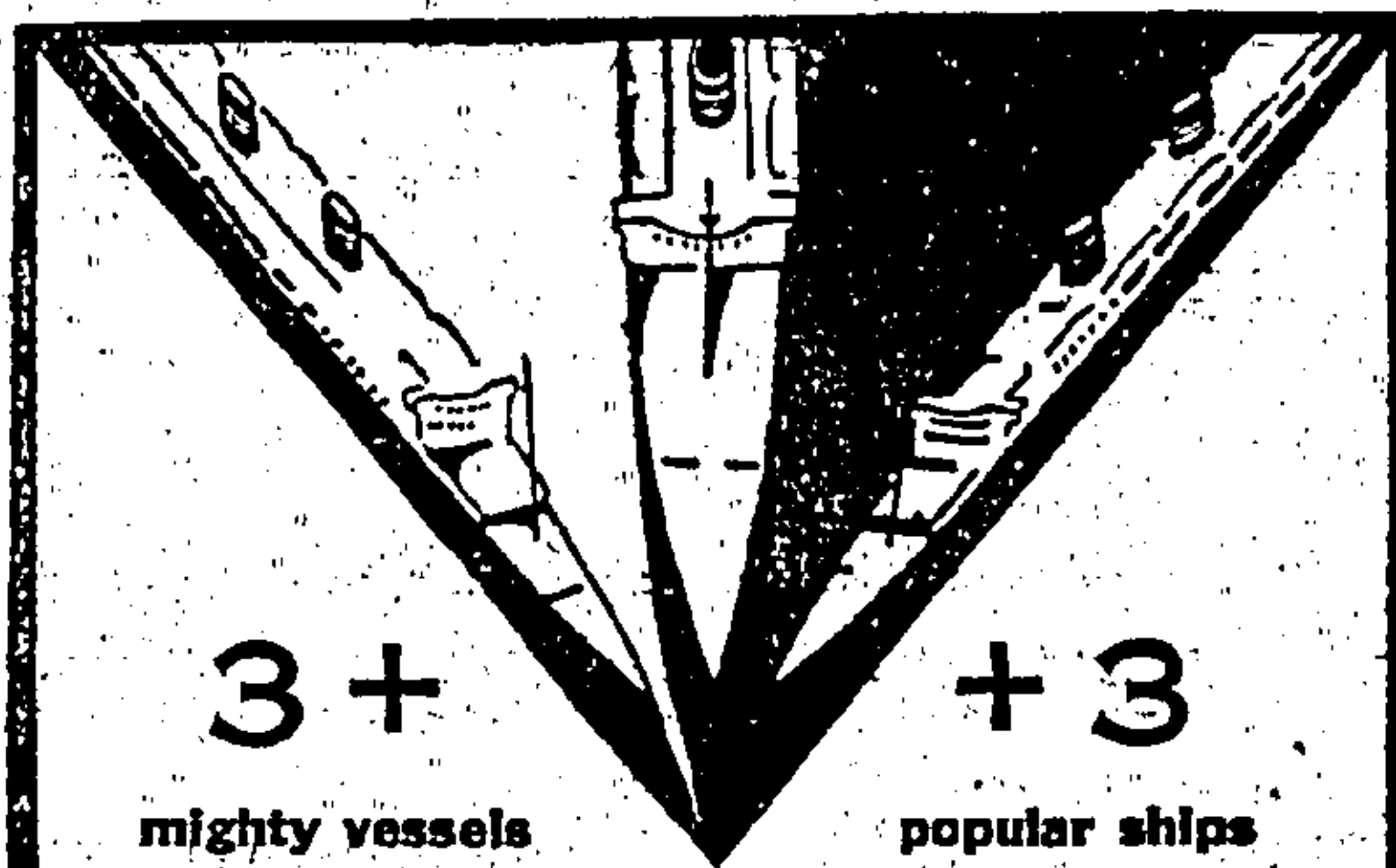
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PREMIUM INCOME A RECORD.

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The Chairman, said in the course of his speech that the premium income was the highest yet recorded. In spite of the exchange the past year had proved to be one of the best the Company had yet experienced. The full report of his speech follows:—

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The result of our operations for the year 1929, now under review, has again been successful, the account having run off with a credit balance of \$714,807.47. The premium income of \$1,945,183.33 was the highest yet recorded and this is a satisfactory feature in view of present day conditions of trade all over the World. The rate of sterling exchange of 1/14, at which our accounts are shown, has had a very considerable bearing on both these figures of Balance and Income but even had it remained round about 2/- the account in point would still have proved to be the third best the Company has yet experienced. The ratio of Losses is distinctly higher at 43.53 per cent. as against 34.12 per cent. for 1927 while that for expenses is slightly less at 30.33 per cent. as against 39.88 per cent.

The balance at credit of the working account for 1929 is \$311,112.36 as against \$275,329.19 for 1928, after twelve months working, a reduction of \$164,216.83. The year 1929 proved to be a lean one for Fire Insurance Companies and the final outcome of our account cannot but be considerably less than of its three predecessors. Though it would be premature to hazard any opinion as to the final result, we have reason to hope for a final showing that will allow of the maintenance of dividend and the transfer of a substantial amount to reserves.

The surplus to be dealt with at this meeting is \$714,807.47 and we recommend the payment of a dividend at the increased figure of \$47 per share, absorbing \$376,000; the appropriation of \$225,000 = \$307,692.31 to Gold Reserve and the balance of \$31,112.16 = \$2,323.22 to Reinsurance Fund.

All our reserves are in a healthy condition, the only one calling for comment being the Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Account, this shows a shrinkage of approximately \$13,000 due to the fall in the market price of our Gold Investments.

You will, I trust, approve of the usual bonus of 15 per cent. on their salaries being granted to the Staff. I do not think there is anything further in the accounts which calls for special mention by me.

As stated earlier in my speech the past year has been a poor one for Fire Insurance Companies, not by reason of any particularly severe conflagration but owing rather to a continuous run of losses throughout the twelve months. We must hope that the current year will show a marked improvement in respect of fire wastage and, to date, I think things are somewhat better. After the resolution, which I am now about to propose, has been duly seconded, I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability, any questions which shareholders may wish to put.

I now propose the following resolution:—

"That the Report and Accounts as presented, including the payment of a dividend of \$47 per share, an addition of \$225,000 = \$307,692.31 to Sterling Reserve, the transfer of \$2,323.22 = \$31,112.16 to the credit of Reinsurance Fund, and the payment to the Staff of 15 per cent. upon their salaries, be adopted and passed."

The Report and Accounts were seconded by Mr. J. H. Taggart and carried unanimously. Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews and Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, were re-elected auditors for the ensuing year.

The re-election of Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. C. Bernard Brown, A. H. Compton, L. Dunbar, T. E. Pearce and A. H. White to be the Consulting Committee was carried on the proposal of Mr. A. P. Sherry and seconded by J. H. Seth.

ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

NET PROFIT OF \$68,000

A SHAREHOLDER'S PLAINT.

The forty-sixth ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong Rope Manufacturing Company was held at St. George's Building yesterday at 11.30 a.m. Mr. R. G. Shewan presided and was supported by Sir Robert Ho Tung, Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. J. Scott Harston (Directors), and Mr. J. Keith Kelly Sayce, H. Dreyer, A. L. Shields, J. Dick, A. A. Botelho, M. A. Figueroa, J. Toppin and F. J. Tavares.

Following the adoption of the report and accounts, Mr. Kelly Sayce expressed dissatisfaction at shareholders having received no dividend during the last five years. He thought that a small dividend should have been paid and a smaller amount carried forward from last year's account. He added that the directors continued to receive their commissions even when no dividend was paid to shareholders. Apart from the Chairman's reply, Mr. Kelly Sayce's query brought forth a spirited retort from Mr. J. Scott Harston, who said that the directors had done their best and could not make bricks without straw.

Chairman's Speech.

The Chairman addressing the meeting said:—
Gentlemen,—The total receipts amount to \$106,908.06 and after deducting Directors' and Auditors' fees, depreciation, interest and commission to General Managers there remains a net profit on working account of \$68,770.30 for the year.

Transferring this amount to profit and loss account there is a balance at credit of \$170,508.96 which your Directors recommend be carried forward to credit of new account. The profit on the year's working shows a considerable falling off owing to reduced sales and increased cost of output. Rents collected are lower by \$7,708.48 owing to reduction in the terms of the lease to the Naval Authorities of Matakook property.

Position Encouraging.

The total amount of rent collected for the Kennedy Town houses was \$31,530.76 as compared with \$31,640.59 for 1928, and \$17,433.22 for the Matakook property as compared with \$25,312.60 for 1928.

As regards the outlook for the present year I do not like to say much when dealing with such fluctuating factors as Manila hemp and exchange, but I may say that our sales so far are encouraging and the fall in silver should help our business with countries which work on a gold basis such as Malaya, India and Java. Under present conditions the Directors think it prudent to conserve the amount standing at credit of profit and loss account until trade generally shows more promising signs of a revival.

I now beg to propose that the report and accounts as submitted, be adopted and passed and recommend that the amount of \$170,508.96 be appropriated as follows:—

To place to credit of
Typhoon and flood
account \$ 5,000.00
To write off plant and
machinery 6,350.00
To carry forward to
credit of next year's
account 159,158.96

The report and accounts were seconded by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga and unanimously adopted. Sir Robert Ho Tung and Sir Elly Kadoretz were re-elected to the Board of Directors. The Company's auditors, Messrs. Linthead & Davis, and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, were also re-elected for the ensuing year at a salary of \$350 each per annum.

"I Do Not Received a Cent!"

Mr. Kelly Sayce: I would like to ask a question, Mr. Chairman and Directors of the Hong Kong Rope Manufacturing Company. In looking over the report and accounts I find that the amount carried forward is \$159,158.96 which represents 76 per cent. of your capital account. Considering that the shareholders have not received any dividend for the last five years, don't you think it would have been more reasonable to have considered the shareholders and given them a small dividend and to have carried a lesser amount forward? I was told, in fact, that one of the directors said last year that he would suggest that shareholders have 25 cents a share, but to-day I am sorry to hear, for the fifth year, that I do not receive a cent. I don't know what is wrong with the Company and why they have done so badly. I think that if the Directors thought fit, they might have given us a small dividend during the year.

The Reason Why.

The Chairman: There is nothing wrong with the Company. It is in a sound position. The payment of a small dividend has been considered and I mentioned in my speech that we have decided to conserve. I said "The fall in silver should help our business with countries which work on a gold basis such as

MUSIC AND DANCE.

PIANOFORTE RECITAL AT H.M.I.

The following is the programme of the piano recital which will be given at the Helena May Institute on Thursday, April 3, at 5.30 p.m.

The concert has been arranged by Mr. Harry Ore who will undertake the whole programme. An interesting feature is that Miss Winifred Henderson will give a series of dances, expressive of the musical items.

Programme.

- 1.—32 Variations in C minor. Beethoven.
- 2.—Dance Solo: "The Autumn." Music by Chaminade.
- 3.—Second Sonata. Chopin.
(a) Grave—Doppio movimento.
(b) Scherzo.
(c) Marche Funebre.
(d) Presto.
- 4.—Bellsazur's Feast. Sibelius.
(a) Oriental Procession.
(b) Solitude.
(c) Night Music.
(d) Khadra's Dance.
- 5.—Pathetic Etude. Scriabin.
- 6.—Operatic Dance Solo: "Love's Joy." Music by Kreisler.
- 7.—Second Hungarian Rhapsody. Liszt.

God Save the King.

Malaya, India and Java. Under present conditions, the Directors think it prudent to conserve the amount standing at credit of profit and loss account until trade generally shows more promising signs of a revival. It is a matter of opinion. Your opinion is that we should have paid a small dividend, ours is that it is better to conserve our profits.

Mr. Sayce remarked that while the Directors had been receiving their commission no dividend had been paid to shareholders.

The Chairman: I sympathise with you, but there is nothing wrong with the Company.

Mr. Sayce: Every year they tell us the same story!

Mr. J. Scott Harston: The answer to your question is quite simple. If you are not satisfied with the Directors, turn them out! The Directors have done their best. They can do no more! They cannot make bricks without straw!

Mr. Sayce: I am only asking for consideration for the small shareholders.

Mr. Scott Harston: That is my answer to you.

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SHANGHAI STREET FIRE.

"DEATH BY MISADVENTURE."

STAIRCASE THAT ACTED AS "A FLUE."

An inquiry was held at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday into deaths of a widow and her son in the fire at No. 138, Shanghai Street on March 18. Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith acted as Coroner and was assisted by a jury.

Mr. Whyte-Smith informed the jury that the house where the fire broke out was a three-story building. The fire started on the ground floor and the two deceased, who lived on the first floor, were evidently trapped. The place was but 100 yards away from the Magistracy and the jury could adjourn if they wished to inspect the building. The Coroner also pointed out that it was for the jury to decide whether the deaths were due to misadventure or whether any person was criminally responsible.

Mr. C. R. Grimes of the P.W.D. said that he had visited the house and he produced plans which he had prepared. He pointed out that only part of the wooden staircase was left, and there was no other staircase either at the back or front of the building.

A Joss Paper Shop.

The wife of the occupant of the ground floor said that they kept a Joss paper shop. She lived there with her husband, two sons, and seven foks. On the night of the fire she went to bed at 11 p.m. Her husband had left for Canton two days previous. There was no gunpowder in the shop but 100 packets of fire-crackers were stored in showcases. The fires in the rear kitchen were put out before going to bed. During the night she was awakened by shouts of "fire," and getting up she saw the front part of the shop alight, and ran out by the back lane. The fire-crackers had not caught fire at that time. She waited until the morning and left for Canton to inform her husband, returning six days later.

Dr. J. E. Dovey, of the Kowloon Mortuary, said that he examined the bodies of the two deceased. Both bodies partly destroyed by fire but were identified. He certified death to have been caused by multiple burns of the sixth degree. Witness added that this was the worst type of burning.

A shop foki on the ground floor said that he was the first one to notice the fire and raised a general alarm. Flames were coming out from under the staircase. He said that the fire in the kitchen were put out before going to bed, and that none of the foks smoked tobacco before retiring.

The Deceased's Daughter.

The daughter of the deceased woman said that she lived with her mother and young brother on the first floor. She slept with her little sister in the cockpit while her mother and little brother slept on the verandah. She was awakened in the night by shouts of "fire," and ran with her little sister up the stairs to the second floor, and escaped into the adjoining flat by a hole in the wall. Witness said that before leaving the flat she saw her mother who was carrying her young brother. They were walking up and down the verandah and were aware of the fire. When she reached the street she expected that they had already escaped and did not know that they had been caught by the flames.

"Ordinary Buildings."

Officer G. Saunders, in charge of the Kowloon Fire Brigade, said that two appliances were sent to the scene of the fire. On arrival he found the two ground floors well alight but no-one in the building could be seen from the front. He was told that there were people on the roof, at the rear and with the aid of a collapsible ladder and line they were rescued. No-one else was reported missing and he thought that everyone was safe. The fire was put out at 4.30 a.m. and at 6 a.m. witness went into the building and found the two bodies in the front verandah of the first floor.

Questioned by the Coroner as to whether he thought this type of building was dangerous, witness replied that it was the ordinary type of tenement houses common in the Colony. There were no chimneys and the staircase acted as a flue in event of a fire. However in the present case, the people could have escaped by going up to the roof of the block where they could have walked the whole length of the street. Witness said that he made investigations after the fire had died down for signs of incendiary, but the ground floor was entirely destroyed. He found several bundles of joss sticks under the staircase, but there was nothing to show how the fire started.

(Continued on next Column.)

ROMANCE ON WORLD TOUR.

MET, ENGAGED AND MARRIED IN A WEEK.

Singapore, March 19.—A romantic meeting on the promenade deck of a Dutch liner a week ago, and a two days' engagement culminated in the wedding yesterday of Mr. Mead Walworth and Miss Midge Gaunt, at a Singapore registry office.

Mr. Walworth who is a travelling representative of the Western Electric Co., arrived in Singapore two months ago to instal talking film equipment. He was returning from a visit to Batavia, on board the s.s. Nieuw Holland when he met Miss Gaunt, of Kansas University, who was travelling round the world with her mother.

After landing in Singapore on March 10, they became engaged, and yesterday morning the manager of Raffles Hotel, where Miss Gaunt is staying, was surprised to receive a telephone call at 8.30 a.m. asking him to prepare a wedding breakfast for nine o'clock.

Hurried preparations were made, and at nine o'clock the wedding party trooped in. When the guests took their places at the table, it was found that they numbered thirteen, but the bride refused to be influenced by superstition, and the joyous meal was eaten to the usual accompaniments of good wishes.

"It's a Real Hustle."

Interviewed at Raffles Hotel, Mrs. Walworth told a *Straits Times* representative that she was a student of Kansas University, and had done a considerable amount of world travel. Six years ago she visited Singapore with her mother, when she was only sixteen years old.

She had intended to journey through Manila and Japan with her mother, and she smiled when she said, "These arrangements have now, of course, been altered. Mother is going back to America tomorrow on the President Monroe."

Mrs. Gaunt, her mother, who is a widow, said, "I haven't yet recovered from the shock. It's a real hustle. I shall have to postpone my tour to Japan, where we had intended to stay a month, and then go home."

The couple left the same day for a honeymoon in Madras, after which they will return to Singapore, where they will stay until Mr. Walworth has completed his work here.—*Straits Times*.

TWENTY CHINESE IN TROUBLE.

BOARDING EMIGRANT SHIP WITHOUT PERMISSION.

Twenty Chinese were before the Marine Magistrate yesterday on the charge of boarding the s.s. Yuen Sang without the permission from the master or the officer on duty. Originally 22 were found on board but when the case was taken, the two who were not present had their bail of \$25 each estreated.

Mr. C. H. Thompson of the Harbour Office informed the Magistrate that the Yuen Sang was sailing under emigration laws and if the vessel left port without her passengers being first passed by medical officers, anything might happen before the vessel reached her destination as anyone of them might have been suffering from a contagious disease.

They were each fined \$20 with the alternative of 30 days' hard labour.

Detective's Smart Work.

Evidence was also given by a Chinese detective who was nearby at the time of the fire. He said that he raised a general alarm and aroused the residents of the flats. He also helped in the rescue of the people on the roof.

The Coroner instructed Inspector Marks, who was in charge of the hearing, to make a report of the detective's good work to his superiors.

His Worship reviewing the evidence remarked to the jury that there was no evidence of incendiary or of negligence. There was evidence, however, that there were several packets of fire-crackers in the joss shop but these were kept in glass cases in accordance with the regulations. There was no evidence to show that these fire-crackers did catch alight. It was not known how the fire started, but according to Officer Saunders' evidence it would spread very quickly owing to the absence of chimneys and the staircase, acting as a flue, would carry the flames to the upper floors.

The jury without retiring gave a verdict of "death by misadventure" and added that no-one was to blame.

THE RESOLUTE HERE.

HER SEVENTH WORLD CRUISE. OVER THREE HUNDRED TOURISTS ON BOARD.

The steamship Resolute, of the Hamburg-American Line, which left New York on January 6 on her seventh cruise around the world, arrived in this port yesterday morning, her last port of call being Manila. Three hundred and seventy-five passengers are making the trip and will visit thirty-three countries in the course of the tour, covering a distance of over 38,000 miles on land and sea.

The commander of the Resolute is Captain Fritz Kruse, who is making his tenth trip around the world. He has been in command of the Resolute four times, and prior to that was Chief Officer on the Cleveland.

Thirteen countries—United States, Canada, Argentina, Spain, Brazil, Cuba, Holland, Belgium, England, France, Austria, Germany and Rumania—are represented among the passengers making the cruise. United States citizens represent twenty-nine States and ninety-seven cities and towns.

"Order of Globe Girdlers."

The flag of the "Order of Globe Girdlers"—a banner of bright green, with the outline of a globe in the centre and large black letters "O.G.G." occupying three of the corners—will be flown again this year when the ship arrives at and departs from the different ports. The "Order of Globe Girdlers" is an organisation founded by members of Resolute world cruises in the past; it is a ship board social club similar to the "Order of Pleasure Pirates" on Reliance West Indies Cruises.

Yesterday morning some of the tourists were taken round the Island by motor-car, while others visited the Peak and other "beauty spots."

The Resolute will stay in this port until noon on Friday, when she will sail for Amoy, thence proceeding to Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, San Francisco, through Panama Canal to Havana, and reaching New York again on May 27.

Some Notable Passengers.

Among the passengers making the cruise are:—Edgar Speyer, New York banker, and Mrs. Speyer; Colonel and Mrs. H. F. Doelman of Baltimore; General Milton J. Foreman of Chicago; Major William Burnett of Leithbridge, Canada, and son, Thomas M. Burnett; David Clarke, professional ice-skater, and Mrs. Clarke (joining ship at Villefranche); Antonio M. Delino, Hamburg-American Line representative at Buenos Aires, Argentina; Mrs. Delino and three children (joining ship at Gibraltar); Baroness Josepha Maria von Dobrensky-Dobrenitz of Vienna (joining ship at European port); Miss Edith Ellarhorn of Bellevue, Ky., and Mrs. Walter Jenny of Boston, both of whom made the trip around the world on the Resolute in 1923; Eberhard Faber, pencil manufacturer, and Mrs. Faber, of New York; Dr. Max Fischer, Berlin journalist; Henry M. Heide of New York; Misses B. and Helen Louise Heim of New York; Colonel and Mrs. Chas. E. Jaques of Port Washington; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Jockums of New Haven; Mrs. Lee Kohas and daughter Dorothy (prominent socially in New York) and Miss F. Elizabeth Hitchcock; Mrs. Julius O'Neill Mackey and Mrs. Simah Vaughan of New York; Mr. and Mrs. George Mueller and Miss Mary Elizabeth Mueller of Jacksonville, Fla.; Rev. Harvey Q. Pillsbury and Miss Maude A. Pillsbury of Chicago; Mrs. O. C. Risch (socially prominent in Chicago); Miss Lucille Rogers of New York; C. D. Rorer, banker, and Mrs. Rorer and daughter of Eugene, Oregon; Mrs. George C. Russell (socially prominent in Cleveland); Mrs. Agnes Morrow Scandrett of New York; Mrs. Lore Sparr of Koenigstein in Taunus, Germany; John C. Wendock, New York attorney, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. John C. Wendock; I. Wise, owner of large department store in New Haven, and Mrs. Wise; Tobias Wolfson, affiliated with the American Metals Company, and Mrs. Wolfson, Miss A. P. Seelman of Brooklyn.

Included in the list of New Yorkers making the Resolute world cruise are:—Dr. and Mrs. M. Marion Apple, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. S. Horie Clark and Misses Betty and Mary Clark, Mrs. Charles H. Coffin, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cohen, Dr. and Mrs. George E. Davis, Miss Marion Dempsey, Miss T. Marie Dunbar, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Grotla, Miss Mary Helwig, Dr. and Mrs. James W. Jobling, Dr. and Mrs. Wilmot Margulies, Miss Mary A. Mercereau, Miss Emma Oehler, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Potter, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Robbins, Miss Margaret Robinson, Mrs. Hattie A. Weldon, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Whitten and Miss Maria Frances Whitten, Mrs. Ohler Wibel.

LOCAL WEDDINGS.

MISS HALLARAN TO LIEUT. WOOD, R.N.

Two local weddings were celebrated yesterday in St. John's Cathedral, the Dean of the Cathedral officiating at both.

Miss Kate Monie Enid Hallaran, daughter of the late Colonel and Mrs. Hallaran, and lately resident at St. George's Hotel, Kennedy Road, was married to Lieut. Christopher John Wood, R.N., H.M.S. Iroquois. She entered the Cathedral on the arm of Lieut. Comdr. A. M. Hughes, R.N., and looked very charming in her bridal gown of white satin cut in mediaeval style, with a pearl girdle and a long train, lined with white georgette and trimmed with sprays of orange blossom. Her tulle veil was held in place by a wreath of orange blossom, and she carried a bouquet of pink roses.

Lieut. H. J. C. Stokes, R.N., was "best man."

The two bridesmaids were the Misses Annette Taylor and Gillian Hudson, who wore Kate Greenaway dresses of white organdie over pink, and poke bonnets of leghorn straw.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the Hong Kong Hotel, where many friends of the bride and groom were gathered together to wish them good luck. The honeymoon is to be spent in Manila. Mrs. Wood left wearing a beige georgette ensemble with a straw hat to match.

BRADSELL-KETLEY.

Later in the afternoon Mr. Sidney James Bradsell of the Hong Kong Police, was married to Miss Margery Ethel Ketley, daughter of the late Mr. G. Ketley, and Mrs. G. E. Ketley, of 5, Wellington Avenue, Westcliffe-on-Sea.

Mr. R. Wynne was "best man." The bride who was given away by Mr. John Hargreaves was attended by two bridesmaids, the Misses Eileen Aris and Irene Spradbury. Mrs. C. Aris was matron of honour.

A reception, at which there were about 40 guests, was held after the ceremony in Lane, Crawford's Restaurant and later Mr. and Mrs. Bradsell left for their honeymoon, which is to be spent at Repulse Bay Hotel.

A COCK AND BULL STORY.

TRUANT WIVES AND A THIRD WOMAN.

A dispute over a sum of \$80 brought two former friends before the Puisse Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) at the Summary Court yesterday. Chung Chi alleged that the money was due to him under a promissory note, but Lau Cheung, the defendant, on the other hand alleged that the sum represented the cost of board for a young woman.

Plaintiff stated that he lent the money to the defendant, who wanted it for business purposes. Questioned about a certain young woman from the country, plaintiff said that there was a woman who had been kidnapped by a clansman of the defendant and brought to Hong Kong. She was not related to plaintiff and stayed at his house for a few days.

Defendant told a different story. He said that the woman after arriving from the country came to his house and enquired for the plaintiff. Since he (defendant) was not a married man he took the woman to the plaintiff's house and told her to stay there.

Plaintiff: Of course you are married?

Defendant: My wife had run away at that time.

His Lordship (to defendant): Who is this woman in Court with you?—She is my wife—the one I married last year. I had two wives before who ran away from me.

Continuing his story, defendant said that the woman stayed for thirteen months in plaintiff's house. She had \$28 with her which she gave the plaintiff as payments towards her board until she received a remittance which she expected from her husband, who was abroad. The money never came, and she returned to the country. Plaintiff then came to defendant's shop to demand payment for the woman's keep, and in order to avoid trouble he signed the promissory note.

Defendant concluded with this statement: "This is the true story, and I am prepared to cut the cock's head to prove it. I am prepared to go even further and cut the bull's head."

His Lordship disbelieved the story of the loss and gave judgment for the defendant with costs.

THE REVIVAL OF ROWING.

REMARKABLE PROGRESS.

KEENNESS IN HONG KONG.

Amongst English pastimes rowing has, since the War, made most remarkable progress. Cricket maintains itself as an institution with difficulty in the face of the keen competition of golf and tennis. Golf itself is not so much an English pastime as a Scottish habit, imported into the Southern Kingdom.

The improvement in rowing is an all-round one. In place of the few Schools who competed at Henley there is now so long a list that there is serious talk of establishing an event for Public School crews alone instead of their competing, as they have hitherto done, for "the Ladies." The lesser rowing schools, who cannot raise "eights" for Henley, have a regular event for "fours" at the Marlow Regatta. At the Universities the Rowing Blue is still the summit of athletic ambition.

Londoners Take to the Water.

It is, however, on the tide-way, in the reach between Putney Bridge and Chiswick Eyt, that the improvement is most remarkable. There in the hub of Metropolitan rowing the swarms of boats, from scullers to eights, astonish the pre-war oarsman.

Before the War the University Course (Putney Bridge to Mortlake) was regarded as a preserve for University crews. It was supposed that only picked oarsmen specially trained could stand the strain of that 4½ mile course. Now in the so-called "Head of the River Race" the Metropolitan crews turn out not singly but literally in dozens and have, in at least one instance, rowed the course in times very little inferior to those of the winning University crew.

The old Metropolitan clubs have vastly increased their membership, and new clubs have been formed. Pride of place still rests with those two venerable institutions the London Rowing Club and the Thames. For years they entered eights for the Grand at Henley, with the most disappointing results, but since the War the tide has turned. Thames have won the Grand, and last year, it may safely be said, that in defeating the Canadian crew London showed that they had an eight well in the first class.

Women Scullers.

Another novel feature of the tide-way is the appearance of women's crews and women scullers. Rowing has been essentially conservative, and innovations have seldom met with much encouragement. Be that as it may, the movement in favour of women's rowing is a genuine one, as anyone who has seen the crews and particularly the scullers, can testify.

Syncopeation.

One other innovation was noticeable last year. The London Rowing Club put out what was officially described as a "syncopeated" eight. The crew rowed not together but as four pairs making their strokes successively. The idea of Wing-Commander Hellyer, the inventor of this sort of rowing, was that by having at least one pair of oars always at work the speed of the eight would not drop as it does during the "recovery" period when rowed in orthodox style. In other words, nobody wants all the cylinders of his car to fire together, and he thought the same reasoning might apply to rowing.

The experiment aroused a good deal of interest, but it is too early as yet to say whether it is a success or not.

The general feeling was that "syncopeated" rowing might improve the times over a course but that it would spoil rowing as a sport.

Boom in Hong Kong Rowing.

Coming a little nearer home, the Rowing Section of the Yacht Club is experiencing a distinct boom. A good number of keen recruits have recently joined up. At the present moment two "fours" senior and junior, are in training to compete against Canton next month. If anyone's name is to be mentioned it is that of Mr. Lander, the stroke of the Senior Four. He had a very successful rowing career in England; and his style is one to be copied, if possible.

It may be of interest to those going on leave to know that the London Rowing Club will welcome as "Associate Members" all Members of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club. The subscription required is extremely moderate, and "Associate Members" have all the privileges of ordinary Members except the right to vote at meetings of the Club.

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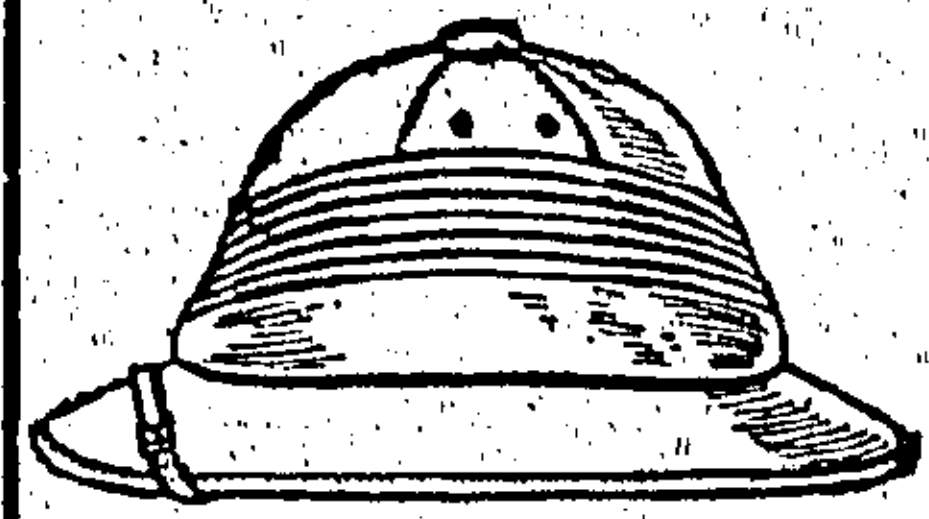
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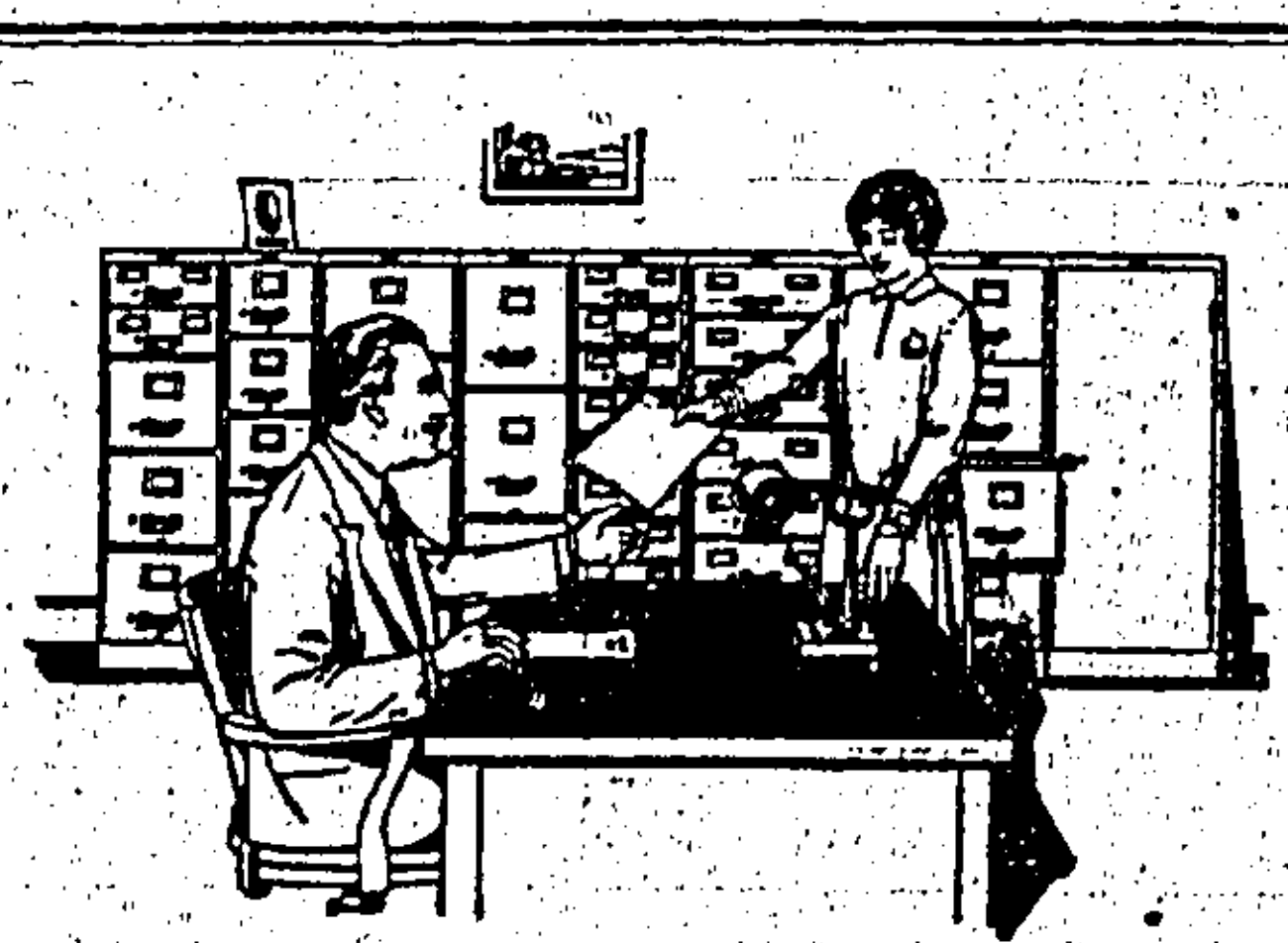


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- (1) To appoint a Reception Committee.
 - (2) To decide on the Mode and Place of the Reception.
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- Dated 26th March, 1930.
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[9230]

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J. MASSEY,
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[9217]

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company (since its Registration) will be held at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 27th MARCH, 1930, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st October, 1929.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED From MONDAY, the 24th DAY of MARCH, to MONDAY, the 31st DAY of MARCH, 1930, Both Days inclusive, during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 18th Mar., 1930. [9180]

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, QUEEN'S BUILDING, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, 31st MARCH, 1930, at NOON, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st DECEMBER, 1929.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED From the 24th to the 31st MARCH 1930, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 18th Mar., 1930. [9185]

HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS will be held in the OLD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, CITY HALL, on MONDAY, 31st MARCH, 1930, at 4.30 P.M.

for the following purposes—
(1) To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the Year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1929.
(2) To elect a New Committee.
(3) To transact any General Business.

By Order,
E. B. PRICE,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 30th Mar., 1930. [9208]

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Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 3.15 p.m., stated:—

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Local Forecast:—N.E. or variable winds: moderate to light; generally overcast; some rain.

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THE COST OF LIVING.

The views communicated to the Chinese Chamber of Commerce this week by Mr. M. K. Lo will have been read with very keen interest by a much wider circle than the persons specifically mentioned therein.

Mr. Lo was invited by the Chamber to express an opinion on the recent report of the Salaries Commission, which of course concerned itself solely with the financial affairs of the Government service. That report was prepared by Sir HENRY GOLLAN, Sir SHOU-SUN CHOW, and Mr. PAUL LAUDER, and their findings were laid before the Legislative Council last September.

Nearly three hundred witnesses were examined at the fifty-odd sittings of the Commission, and evidence taken from members of all branches of the Government service. The recommendations made in the report appear to have been fully approved by the Government, which merely awaits the approval of the Secretary of State before putting the proposed changes into force as from January.

Mr. Lo, therefore, is of opinion that it may be a waste of time for the Chinese Chamber of Commerce to reply to the Government's invitation to express an opinion on the Commission's recommendations, but even so the points raised in his letter are of very great interest and importance, not only to those directly concerned, but to the community generally.

Everyone in the Colony is aware—and to many the knowledge has been acquired by very painful process—that the cost of living is increasing steadily and rapidly.

Careful housewives who keep close check upon their expenditure's books know that scarcely a single item of their ordinary household expenses stands to-day at the figure recorded twelve months ago. The increases may appear small—a few cents here and there every day, but they actually represent an increase of about 20 per cent. all round.

Some items will be less, and others more, but taking a general average it will be found that ten dollars spent on housekeeping to-day buys little more than could be bought for about eight dollars this time last year. The Salaries Commission in September recommended that the Government continue payment of the special high cost of living allowance, but since last autumn prices have increased very considerably all round as a result of the great drop in the dollar.

When that report was laid before the Legislative Council the dollar stood at 1s. 11d. Since September it has steadily declined, and to-day stands at 1s. 10d. However bad the position of some people was last autumn, it is now considerably worse, for the drop in exchange means that imported articles of food and clothing cost more dollars to buy, and that difference has to be passed on by the retailer to the consumer. Coupled with this unpleasant state of affairs is the further fact that any dollars remaining unspent locally are of very much less value when sent home to pay for schooling or maintenance, so that for most residents in the Colony—whether Government servants or not—the outlook is decidedly gloomy.

The point of view taken by Mr. Lo in scrutinising the report of the Salaries Commission was naturally from quite another angle. He has examined the recommendations mainly as they affect Chinese employed in Government service, and the Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce summed up the situation very neatly when he said the treatment proposed to be accorded his compatriots by the Government was "rather lean."

Yet there was a Chinese representative sitting on the Commission, and Chinese witnesses were examined during the hearing of evidence.

Is it perhaps possible their claims were not put forward clearly and effectively, otherwise how could salaries which Mr. Lo describes as "patently unfair" have been approved by a Commission of three on which a Chinese gentleman was sitting? Certainly some explanation is called for of the "widely differential treatment" of British and non-British school-mistresses. Making full allowance for different standards of living, there is a discrepancy between commencing salaries of \$720 and \$4,000 which does not tend to make a Chinese lady who has acquired a good knowledge of English very satisfied with her position or prospects as a teacher. The Salaries Commission was asked—but declined—to recognise the principle of equal pay for equal work as between men and women, especially those employed in the Education Department. The cases cited by Mr. Lo, however, are not examples of discrimination between the sexes, but between nationalities, and while it can be readily granted that some degree of distinction is not only justified but essential, it is not so readily realised why the gap should be so wide as it is. Nor can \$40 a month be regarded as a living wage for a youth who is engaged as a junior clerk in the Government service. This figure was recommended by the Salaries Commission as the minimum wage for juniors, but it is certainly not a living wage, though it might be regarded as a sort of pocket-money allowance to a youth who is serving an apprenticeship.

The calculations which Mr. Lo has made concerning the allowances proposed to be made to Government servants paid on a fixed basis at a rate of exchange of 1s. 11d. to the dollar are extremely interesting. He shows that a married man whose salary is \$1,000, payable at the rate of twelve dollars to the pound, gets an 18 per cent. allowance in dollars which brings his salary up to an equivalent of \$1,188. A single man on the same sterling salary would get a 9 per cent. allowance in dollars monthly which would bring his total salary in sterling up to \$1,308. The Salaries Commission is of opinion that another 15 per cent. addition to the existing nominal sterling salaries may properly be regarded as representing a permanent increase in the cost of living in the Colony.

If this view be acted upon, a married man with a \$1,000 salary would receive with the dollar at 1s. 11d. the equivalent of \$1,560, and a single man \$1,338. These figures represent roughly an increase in salary of over 50 per cent., yet it is proposed to give those public officers paid on a dollar basis an increase of only 20 per cent., and without making any special allowance for those who are married. This looks like double discrimination, for he who gets paid definitely in dollars and he whose salary is based on sterling both have to pay the increased prices charged for their food, clothing, and rent, and both, when married, have to feed and clothe a wife.

In regard to rents, this is another item of expenditure which is beginning to loom larger in individual household budgets. The explanation, no doubt, is that land is dearer, building materials more costly, and labour more expensive. Towards the end of last year a Rent Problem Committee was appointed, under the auspices of the Twenty-four Trades Merchants' Guild, to look into the question of high rents. A very influential committee was appointed—including several professional men and the commodores of leading foreign business-houses—and it was indicated that at an early date a *kaifong* meeting would be held at which the public could express their views on the question of high rents. If it were then shown that public opinion was in favour of a radical reduction, of an alternatively some restriction being put on rents, it was proposed to approach the Government with a view to obtaining the desired relief. All this happened last November—but what has occurred since? Has there been a sudden slump in rents, rendering further activity unnecessary? Have the promoters of the movement grown suddenly weary of well-doing and given up their intention of protesting against alleged profiteering? Or has it been intimated to those who sponsored the movement that it would be polite not to proceed with their plans lest it lead to the introduction into the discussion of political issues which are strictly forbidden? Whatever the explanation, the agitation against high rents in Hong Kong appears to have ceased suddenly and mysteriously, though there is no evidence that rents came down simultaneously. It is unfortunate that this question of high rents has been allowed to lapse without further inquiry. Possibly the charges made against property-owners were quite unfounded, or greatly exaggerated. Public discussion of the issue would have brought the real facts to light, whereas the position now remains as unsatisfactory as ever. All that the average resident knows for certain is that it costs more to live now than it did twelve months ago, and most people are beginning to look for signs of relief. A few fortunate folk are already receiving extra allowances from their employers; the less lucky ones are expectantly awaiting them.

News and Views.

One Chinese case of small-pox was the only entry in the Medical Officer of Health's return of notifiable diseases on Tuesday.

A farewell dinner is being given on April 5, at the Kam Ling Hotel, to Sir Henry Gollan, by Sir Shou-sun Chow and other Chinese friends of the popular Chief Justice.

On Friday, April 4, a public meeting is to be held at the City Hall to discuss arrangements for the reception to be given on the arrival in the Colony of the new Governor, Sir William Peel.

The Hong Kong Hotel Garage Bus Services announces that on and after April 1 monthly tickets will be inter-changeable on the Tai Hang-Kennedy Town and University routes.

A billiards exhibition match between Mr. A. J. Omand (Hong Kong champion) and Mr. Young Bak Nin will be held at the Hong Kong Billiard Saloon (2nd floor, 106, Des Voeux Road Central) this evening at 8 p.m.

A Chinese was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. Whyte-Smith yesterday for stealing \$50 from his master. The master asked his Worship to take a lenient view of the case as the defendant was a relative and he had promised to make good the loss.

Two Chinese were before Mr. Whyte-Smith yesterday on charges of harbouring two girls. The first defendant was also charged with being in possession of a knuckleduster. On the application of Detective Inspector Fallon they were both remanded for a week.

A report has been made to the police that when the s.s. City of Birmingham was lying in Junk Bay on Monday, her anchor was lost together with several fathoms of chain. On Tuesday Police launch No. 4 reported that it had located the anchor and was proceeding with the work of salvaging it.

A Canton paper says that a big tiger was recently killed in the Hokien District. A woodcutter saw the pugs and a party of village militia set out to hunt the animal. They soon found it, and opened fire, but the tiger sprang on one of the men. The hunters made their kill, but the injured man died of his wounds.

His many friends in the Colony will be interested to learn that Mr. J. Dalziel, who was for many years connected with Taikoo Sugar Refinery, and who went home on retirement several years ago, has returned to Hong Kong. Mr. Dalziel has been spending the winter in Jamnien, and intends to remain in the Colony for about three months.

Fred Mahan, a prize-fighter of promise from Tombstone, Arizona, fell to his death one day last month in a parachute jump from an aeroplane 5,000 feet up in the air. Mahan was a victim of the widely held notion that by rapid movement through the air the hearing of deaf persons is restored. His parachute failed to open, and thousands of horror-stricken spectators saw his fatal plunge into a field near the aerodrome.

Yesterday afternoon there was a well-filled house to witness the matinee performance by the A.D.C. of "And So To Bed." A large number of young folk from the various local schools took advantage of the half-price privilege kindly offered them by the A.D.C., and judging by the applause they enjoyed the play just as much as their more critical elders. Yesterday's performance was again an improvement on the preceding one, and tonight's repetition should be still better. Seats for this evening and for Friday and Saturday can be booked at Anderson's.

"Of the films shown in public cinema, to-day only one in twenty is fit for boys to see—or, at least, has any educational value," said Mr. Austin Noxon, headmaster of Highfield College, Leighton-Seas, at the annual speech day recently. "The cinema is the greatest 'educational' possibility which is wasted to-day," said Mr. Noxon, who has installed a school cinema. Later he remarked that if he could have his own way he would abolish all home work for boys, an announcement which was cheered lustily by hundreds of the pupils present.

"Percy," a page boy at a London hotel, was afflicted with a cough. "Here you are, my boy, go and buy a bottle of medicine for that cough," said many guests, giving generously to the ailing lad. "Percy" counted up the day's takings in "cough money," and decided to develop a permanent cough, and during the next three weeks was as happy as a sandboy. A doctor who examined "Percy" said that the cough was faked, and that the boy was in perfect health. Other page boys, speaking of "Percy's" departure, say he was "too clever."

Said a landlord at Bow County Court recently: "You cannot judge a woman's language by the frock she wears."

When a giant pine tree was felled in Broomfield Park, North London, it was found that the trunk was hollow. It was occupied by a large number of bats, hanging head downwards and with wings tightly folded, in the middle of their winter's sleep. A naturalist removed them to a safe retreat for the rest of the winter.

A practical joke had a fatal ending in the little country town of Berlioz, in the north of France, when Alfred Cogniaux was found hanging in an attic. An old woman of the town was murdered recently, and her assailant was not found. Cogniaux's friends decided to accuse him of the crime as a joke. Although he was perfectly innocent and a man of excellent character, he took the accusation to heart and committed suicide.

"It is no use teaching the ABC to children if they are to be killed the next day. With all the millions we spend on education, children should be taught safety first principles. I would teach them how to dodge buses before they learn the ABC," said Mr. E. F. Hadow, coroner, at Rugby recently at an inquest on John David Withers, a five-year-old boy, who, while running across the road to his home at Bilton, was killed by a motor-car. The verdict was accidental death.

Miss Lilian Foster, the Broadway actress who slapped Hanneen Swaffer in a London restaurant because he did not like her play, has been cited as the contributory cause of the marital troubles of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Mullally. Counsel for Mrs. Mullally has filed an action on behalf of his client for separation on the ground that Mr. Mullally, who is a director of the Allwood theatrical enterprise, "is so infatuated with Miss Foster, and has neglected his wife and caused her great humiliation by speaking of his infatuation in the presence of others."

A sensation has been caused by the announcement that women gamblers are to be barred from the International Sporting Club at Monte Carlo. In other words, women will not be permitted to gamble for heavy stakes, but will still be free to gamble in the public rooms at the Casino, where stakes are limited. The origin of the new regulation is a mystery, but it is believed to be a sequel to the suicide of two women who had suffered losses, although the losses were not on a big scale. Monte Carlo's attitude is in striking contrast to that of the authorities at the new Casino at Nice where women are encouraged in every way, and have proved themselves to be as heavy gamblers as the men.

Looking Back 25 Years.

"Sir,—In walking through the streets of Kowloon, one cannot help noticing the signs of improvement and progress which meet the eye. It is an encouraging sign to see that the following companies have established themselves on the Peninsula for good, viz.:—The Dairy Farm Co., Ltd., A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Terminus Stores, China and Japan Telephone Co., Station Hotel, Occidental Hotel, Kowloon Hotel, Anglo-American Stores, Kowloon Stores, Messrs. Chung, Brown & Co., Hutton's Stores, Cosmopolitan Hairdressing Saloon, Kowloon Butchery, etc. In view of the fact that a railway will soon connect the Peninsula with the prosperous and flourishing city of Canton, one wonders why such firms as Gaupp & Co., A. Chee & Co., A. Fong, photographer, Falconer & Co., Hong Kong Ice Co., Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., The Medical Hall, Noronha & Co., Robinson Piano Co., Singer Sewing Machine Co., Watkins, Ltd., and Powell & Co. have not already established themselves. Perhaps they have not yet realised the value of the peninsula which are in store for the peninsula—Yours, etc.,—Kowloon.—Hong Kong Daily Press, March 23, 1905.

Looking Back 50 Years.

This morning, at about 10.45, licensed chair No. 600 was seen carrying along Stanley Street, a Chinese, apparently a leper, with the horrible distorted features and swollen limbs 'exuding' matter which is peculiar to the loathsome disease known as Elephantiasis Tuberculosis or Oriental leprosy; while to make matters still worse the poor creature had been stricken by small-pox, which terribly infectious disease was evidently out on him in its most virulent stage, having assumed the form known as "confluent." This chair, number 600, deposited the small-pox patient at the doorway of a house at the corner of Stanley and Shelley Streets, where there is a chairstand, and the chair-coolies then ran away with their chair apparently in order to evade recognition. The small-pox patient was then taken by chair number 160, and carried away in it by its bearers as a matter of course, they making no, or very little, demur at carrying him. And all this was in the full view of a Sikh policeman, who did not interfere.—Hong Kong Daily Press, March 23, 1905.

NAVAL CONFERENCE

FRANCE COMING INTO LINE.

STILL HOPE FOR FIVE-POWER TREATY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 25. M. Dumesnil to-day visited the American delegates, Senator Dwight Morrow and Mr. Adams. They discussed the technical problems of the Conference. It was authoritatively stated by a French source afterwards that the conversations showed that the American and French delegations were more than ever determined to co-operate in facilitating a conclusion of the conference by agreement, which the French delegation continues to consider eminently desirable and possible.

France's Cards on the Table.

PARIS, March 25.

During a debate in the Senate on the Foreign Office estimates, M. Briand said that a great step forward would be made in London if agreement was reached on the basis of the French memorandum as set out at the conference.

France did not deserve the reproach of being an obstacle towards a good solution. She had placed her cards on the table from the start.

"Now that I am preparing to return to the conference, we would like to be able to give satisfaction to our neighbouring and friendly country, but care must be taken not to breed excessive hopes in the nations. One must not try to set up a theory which is really tantamount to dangerous equality."

M. Briand, concluded by reiterating the determination of France to establish a general agreement to the advantage of all. The conversations were not yet closed, and he did not despair, seeing that the problem would be taken up again when there were greater possibilities of solution.

Good Progress.

LONDON, March 25.

A Naval Conference communiqué announced that the heads of the delegations met in the afternoon and reviewed the work of the Conference. They agreed that a plenary sitting should be held some time next week and fixed a further meeting for March 27 when M. Briand will have returned to London.

Progress More Real Than Apparent.

WASHINGTON, March 25.

Appropos of the suggestion for adjourning the conference for six months, the view is expressed in Government circles that the parleys are making more progress than appears on the surface.

Fresh Confidence.

LONDON, March 25.

At a meeting of the Naval delegates Mr. Ramsay MacDonald strongly stressed the importance of conducting the discussions on a five-power basis, and emphasised that the heads of the delegations should again get into complete activity on the fundamental problems of the conference, and the purpose of the next plenary session was to inform the public exactly how matters stood. It is hoped that the joint efforts of Mr. Stimson and Mr. MacDonald will inspire the conference with fresh confidence. Mr. MacDonald declines to regard the conference as a failure.

The American Attitude.

LONDON, March 25.

The rumour that the American delegation has changed its attitude towards consultative pacts and is willing to enter into such a pact in order to save the Naval Conference, led to the American delegation issuing at midnight an official statement to the effect that its attitude remains unchanged.

America has no objection to entering a consultative pact as such, but would not enter into any treaty where there is a danger of its obligation being misunderstood, and as involving a promise to render military assistance or guaranteeing such protection by military force to another nation.

Such misunderstanding might arise if the United States entered into such treaty as a *quid pro quo* for the reduction of the naval forces of another Power. That danger so far had not inhered in the present situation, where France had been demanding mutual military security as a condition of naval reduction, but if this demand for security could be satisfied in some other way then the danger of misunderstanding a consultative pact would be eliminated.

The question would be approached from an entirely different standpoint and the American delegation will consider the matter with an entirely open mind.

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TARIFF TRUCE CONFERENCE.

QUESTIONS IN COMMONS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, March 25.

Replying in the House of Commons to questions regarding the proceedings at Geneva in connection with the suggested tariff truce, Mr. William Graham, President of the Board of Trade, said he had taken part in the discussions.

He was glad to state that a Convention was signed yesterday, as well as a protocol regarding future negotiations for reducing trade barriers. Both documents were signed on behalf of Great Britain. The former was also signed by ten other countries and the latter by fourteen other countries. The text of the documents would duly be laid before the House.

Mr. Graham was asked whether his attention had been called to a statement by the Chairman of the Committee that if they had taken the first hesitating step, that was all they had done, and whether that justified any optimism.

Mr. Graham replied:—"While it is true that the Convention now signed falls short of the original draft, it is nevertheless, in my opinion, a very valuable document."

A member enquired whether these documents precluded any step being taken by the British Government to safeguard any enterprise in this country.

Mr. Graham said:—"I think the effect will be this, that they do give us a basis on which to proceed to negotiations for discussion of the reduction of tariffs in Europe, and I believe this would be of very great importance to the trade of this country."

ANOTHER TANTALUS.

MADAME HANAU'S NEW ORDEAL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 25.

A different kind of persuasion is now being tried on Madame Hanau. Three hospital attendants have been ordered to enter their meals in front of her, and it is hoped that she will thus be tempted to desert from hunger-striking.

INDIA'S COTTON INDUSTRY.

BIG COMBINE CONTEMPLATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BOMBAY, March 25.

Negotiations between the Government of India and Bombay mill-owners for the rationalisation of cotton mills are still proceeding, following the announcement in January that a number of mills are amalgamating.

It is now stated that a combine of fifty mills is contemplated, and it is hoped that the Imperial Bank of India will provide the necessary loan.

INDIAN AERODROMES.

BRITISH AND DUTCH "MISUNDERSTANDINGS."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 25.

The "misunderstandings" over the alleged British impeding of the Dutch air line to the Dutch East Indies, were dealt with in the House of Commons by Mr. F. Montague, replying to the debate on the Air Estimates.

Mr. Montague declared that the objection made by the Government of India as well as the British Government, to the premature use of aerodromes in India which were not yet ready for traffic, applied as much to the British use of the aerodromes as to the Dutch.

Faint Ray of Hope.

LONDON, March 25.

The sudden re-emergence of the political aspect of the Naval Conference indicates the completeness of the failure to overcome the Franco-Italian deadlock by other means, and although a new turn produces a faint ray of hope of a Five-Power agreement, there are no traces of exaggerated optimism in well-informed quarters.

The concluding passage of last night's American statement about the French demand for security clearly leaves the way open to a renewed discussion, and it is significant in this respect that M. Briand is returning to the scene. He is due in London to-night.

BRITAIN'S AIR POLICY.

PERTINENT QUESTIONS IN COMMONS.

FUTURE OF AIR-SPEED RESEARCH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 25.

When the Air Estimates were considered on the report stage, Sir Samuel Hoare, Air Minister in the late Government put a number of questions.

He did not wish to enter into any controversy as to whether the Government decision not to compete again for the Schneider Cup was wise or not, but he wished to know whether experiments were still being made with high-speed machines. He also wished to know what had been done with regard to autogiro machines.

Mr. F. Montague the Under Secretary for Air, replying, said the Air Ministry realised the importance of research work regarding high-speed flights. This would go on at Felixstowe where the high-speed officers had posts, and they would carry out, with the aid of the Gloster machines, which were to have taken part in the Schneider contest, further research work which would be as valuable as the work done previous to that race.

Autogiro Machines.

An autogiro flyingboat, he went on, was still under development, and a new autogiro boat would probably be ordered in 1930 to embody all the experience obtained up to date.

For a great many service purposes, however, a flyingboat of that description would hardly be suitable. New types of flyingboats, including a boat heavier than the "Southampton" had been introduced into service.

With regard to gliders, Mr. Montague believed the principal requirement for their development was an up-current of air, and this country was not so suitable for flying them as was Germany, or other places on the continent. But there had been development of gliding machines.

In regard to the international pooling of the ideas of research, this principle had been carried out. The Aeronautical Research Committee of the United States had been in close touch with this country, and the development of the R100 airship was carried through to a great extent in close touch with airship development and airship experience in other countries, especially in Germany.

THE ITALIAN ART EXHIBITION.

BRITISH HONOURS FOR ITALIANS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 25.

In recognition of the success of the Italian Art Exhibition, which has just concluded in London, the King has conferred a honorary Knighthood and the Grand Cross of the Order of the British Empire upon the Italian Ambassador, and honorary decorations upon other Italians who have collaborated in the exhibition.

UNEMPLOYMENT AT HOME.

SAFEGUARDS ASKED FOR STEEL INDUSTRY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 25.

Conflicting views on the question of the safeguarding of the iron and steel industries were expressed at the annual meeting of the Sheffield Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber passed a resolution, however, twenty-nine votes being recorded in favour, and five against, urging the Government to extend safeguarding duties to the iron and steel industries, as the only practically means of relieving promptly the excessive load of unemployment.

ACCIDENT TO ETON'S FORMER HEAD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 25.

The Rev. Dr. Lytton, former Headmaster of Eton and Haileybury, was to-day knocked down by a motor car in London and taken to hospital. He is 74 years old.

THE SHIPPING MERGER.

COLOSSAL GERMAN COMBINE.

NEW TRANS-ATLANTIC RECORD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BREMEN, March 25.

At a general meeting of the Nord Deutscher Lloyd, the President explained the terms of the proposed agreement with the Hamburg Amerika Line, in connection with which a joint meeting of stockholders of both companies will cast the final vote on April 15, when the new German shipping trust will be launched. It will include the Woermann German East Africa Lines, the Hamburg South Amerika Companies and probably also the Bremen Shipping Company Hansa. The total share capital of all the companies is 400,000,000 marks.

The Europa's Record.

BERLIN, March 25.

The Europa's trans-Atlantic record was jubilantly received throughout the country. Herr Hernecken, presiding at a general meeting of the Nord German Lloyd Company, stated that the company had not received a penny of subsidy in respect of the construction of the Bremen and the Europa.

CANTON REDS IN INDO-CHINA.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT'S STRONG POLICY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, March 25.

During a discussion in the Senate regarding the recent native disturbances in French Indo-China, M. Pietri, the Minister for the Colonies, said that the Government would unflinchingly prosecute disturbers of the peace.

The Government did not intend to allow their work to be imperilled by agitators in the employ of Canton Bolsheviks.

CANADA AND U.S. PROHIBITION.

BILL PASSES THIRD READING.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

OTTAWA, March 25.

The Canadian House of Commons by 173 votes to 11, passed the third reading of the Bill forbidding clearances of liquor cargoes destined for the United States. The Bill now goes to the Senate.

U.S. ARMY OF OCCUPATION.

GERMANY TO PAY \$827,900,000.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, March 25.

In view of the settlement of the Young Plan, in which the Government of the United States took no official part, the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives has approved a Bill under which the United States will receive \$827,900,000 from Germany to cover the cost of the American Army of Occupation.

The payment has already been approved by the Reichstag.

RESULT OF LINCOLNSHIRE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 25.

The results of the Lincolnshire are as follows:—

1. Leonidas (63 to 1).
2. Culzean (40 to 1).
3. Knight Error (58 to 1).

Thirty-one ran. Three lengths between first and second, two lengths between second and third.

IDEAS FREE AS THE AIR.

YOUNG MEN LOSE COPYRIGHT CASE.

[UNITED PRESS.]

New York, March 19.—In a decision handed down to-day, the New York Court of Appeals reaffirmed the principle that "ideas are as free as the air."

The court declared that Richard Tully and Oliver Morosco had not plagiarized Grace Fendler's play when they wrote and produced their "Bird of Paradise."

This decision overruled the judgments of lower courts which had awarded to Miss Fendler the sum of \$781,000.

MARCONI'S MAGIC.

OPENS SYDNEY EXHIBITION BY RADIO.

LIGHTS SWITCHED ON 11,000 MILES AWAY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENOA, March 25.

Speaking into a microphone aboard his yacht "Eletra" here, Signor Marconi this morning opened an electrical exhibition in Sydney by radio. The short waves carried the inventor's voice across 11,000 miles. While he was surrounded by British and Foreign journalists, the inventor exchanged greetings with Mr. Fisk, the Director of the Electricians' Association of Sydney.

Subsequently Signor Marconi transmitted a small power unit to Sydney in order to close the circuit, thus lighting the electric lamps at the exhibition.

A Dramatic Moment.

LATER.

Details of how Signor Marconi transmitted a power unit to Sydney show that pressure on a key sent an infinitesimal quantity of electricity to London which released a train of wireless waves by beam wireless station to Australia via Canada and the United States. These two countries subsequently wireless their congratulations to Genoa.

There was a dramatic silence on the Eletra's cabin. Signor Marconi was ready to press the key when a voice from Sydney was heard saying that the immense gathering was tensely awaiting the signal. Signor Marconi then pressed the key, and a moment later a voice from Sydney cried: "The lights are on, thanks to you. Hurrah," and the tension was relaxed.

Signor Marconi smiled and said: "The experiment points the way to the future when there will be no electric wires and all power current will be transmitted directly through the air in any direction in any quantity desired."

TWO FORMIDABLE DRY CHAMPIONS.

JOSEPHUS DANIELS AND LATE MR. TAFT.

[UNITED PRESS.]

Washington, March 19.—At today's prohibition hearings before the House Judiciary Committee, Mr. Horace Taft, brother of the late ex-President William Howard Taft, testified that his distinguished brother had been converted to the cause of prohibition after the Eighteenth Amendment was adopted.

He read a letter from his brother to the economist Prof. Irving Fisher, explaining that the letter was written before prohibition went into effect. The communication said:—

"During the last campaign I was unable to reply or to issue any statement because of my position on the bench. The result is glorious and points to the only way we have to work out this problem."

Mr. Josephus Daniels, former Secretary of the Navy whose "dry" ideas caused grape juice to be introduced in the Wilson administration, testified that the country must have prohibition or the old saloon.

Other plans were merely a subterfuge for the return of the saloon, Mr. Daniels declared.

He said that in his opinion, prohibition had proved to be "a great help" to the country."

DAMAGES AGAINST GARAGE.

CAR SMASHED WHILE BEING GIVEN A TEST RUN.

In the King's Bench, Belfast, a few weeks ago, before Lord Chief Justice Moore, Robert Elliott was awarded \$300 damages against Victor Robb & Co., Limited, motor engineers, for negligence in driving and management of the plaintiff's motor-car.

Mr. Elliott handed over his motor-car to the defendants for repair, one of the conditions being that the car was not to be used except for the purpose of repairs. The defendants, however, after the repairs had been effected, sent the car out in charge of a driver for a test run on one of the busiest roads around Belfast, and there was a collision with a motor-van, the car being completely destroyed. The plaintiff's car was that the road test was not necessary, and he denied giving authority for it.

CANTON GOVT. AND FRENCH MISSION.

LEASED LAND TO BE CONFISCATED.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, March 25.

The Canton Municipal Government are going ahead with their plans for the rendition of not only the site on which the Missions Building on the Bund stands, but also a part of the big site leased to the French Cathedral on Yatack Road. The Municipal authorities state that the French mission have also violated their agreement with the Government by converting the site into a business enterprise, which is not according Article 3 of the Regulations of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at Nanking, governing lands leased to foreign missions in China.

The big tract of land, according to the Canton Government, was originally leased to the French Catholic Mission at a rental of \$900 per annum, but it is alleged that a part was leased to a contractor for building purposes, and that the mission is receiving an income of over \$12,000 a month.

The Municipal authorities are taking steps to recover this part of the site of the French Catholic Mission and are sending a commission representing the Finance, Public Lands, and Public Works Bureaux to survey the land and give an estimate on the buildings erected thereon.

TRADE ON WEST RIVER.

ALMOST AT A STANDSTILL.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, March 25.

The continued guerilla warfare in Kwangsi is seriously affecting shipping along the West River. Of the eleven boats on the Canton-Wuchow run, nine have stopped because of lack of business.

Prior to the inter-Kwang war, a great volume of trade was carried on between Canton and Wuchow, but business lately has been at a standstill. Numerous shops in Wuchow have been forced to close up.

TO "CLEAN UP" RIVER.

CANTON NAVY PLANS.

Canton Naval Headquarters are planning a thorough "clean up" of the bandits and pirates who have been terrorizing river shipping in Kwangtung since the outbreak of war. Trouble has been particularly bad on the West River.

REDS ACTIVE ON KWANGTUNG BORDER.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, March 25.

The Reds along the Kwangtung-Kiangsi-Hunan border are again causing trouble. A report from Namhung, near Shikwan, states that they have captured Kanchow, Sunfung and other towns, and are threatening Namhung.

THE PROHIBITION ISSUE.

APPEAL TO NATION.

[UNITED PRESS.]

Washington, March 20.—A liquor control system involving Canadian co-operation on restriction of alcoholic exports will not solve the United States prohibition enforcement difficulties, Mr. Lanier Roper, former Commissioner of Internal Revenue, declared in testifying before the prohibition sub-committee of the House Judiciary Committee to-day.

South Carolina tried a system based on this same general idea in 1892 and found it wanting, according to Mr. Roper.

The former Commissioner expressed the belief that the only chance for success will be through an appeal to the people of the country for a united observance, as was done in asking for support in time of war.

In the event that such a course failed, Mr. Roper would favour repeal of the law, he said.

Fight Against Methylation.

New York, March 25.—The New York Telegram, a Scripps-Howard newspaper, declared to-day that bandits kidnapped Samuel Barron, wealthy real estate operator, and held him captive for 500 hours in order to obtain a secret formula which Mr. Barron evolved while in college enabling him to remove poisons from alcohol.

When questioned by officials, Mr. Barron denied that this had taken place.

According to the Telegram, the kidnapping was evidently by bootleggers who wished to learn how they might make forbidden drinkables from alcohol treated by the Government in an effort to render it undrinkable.

IN THE NORTH.

SHANSI OPENS OFFENSIVE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, March 25.

Shih Yu San is reported to have taken the offensive against Han Fu Chu and to have captured Ningling near Kweihsu, while Sun Tien Ying is acting on the defensive East of Kweihsu.

Other Shansi and Kuomintang troops are hastening to their assistance. The Central Government is sending reinforcements to Han Fu Chu, and a Government aeroplane is reconnoitring in the vicinity.

MARTIAL LAW IN HANKOW.

(Wah Tse Yat Pao.)

HANKOW, March 25.

Martial law has been declared at night since the 24th inst. Trains run as far as Yencheng only.

MORE FIRING ON U.S. SHIPS.

MINIATURE BATTLE ON YANGTZE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, March 25.

Another miniature battle occurred between Chinese and Americans on the Upper Yangtze when 400 soldiers bearing red banners with the White Sun heavily fired on the s.s. Ifang on the Yangtze rapids.

The American guards returned the fire, and it is estimated that 700 shots were fired in all. One American enlisted man was wounded and the Chinese soldiers sustained a number of casualties.

PEKING DAILY CLOSES DOWN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, March 25.

The North China Standard has definitely announced to-day its last issue as the Japanese owners have decided to retire from newspaper business.

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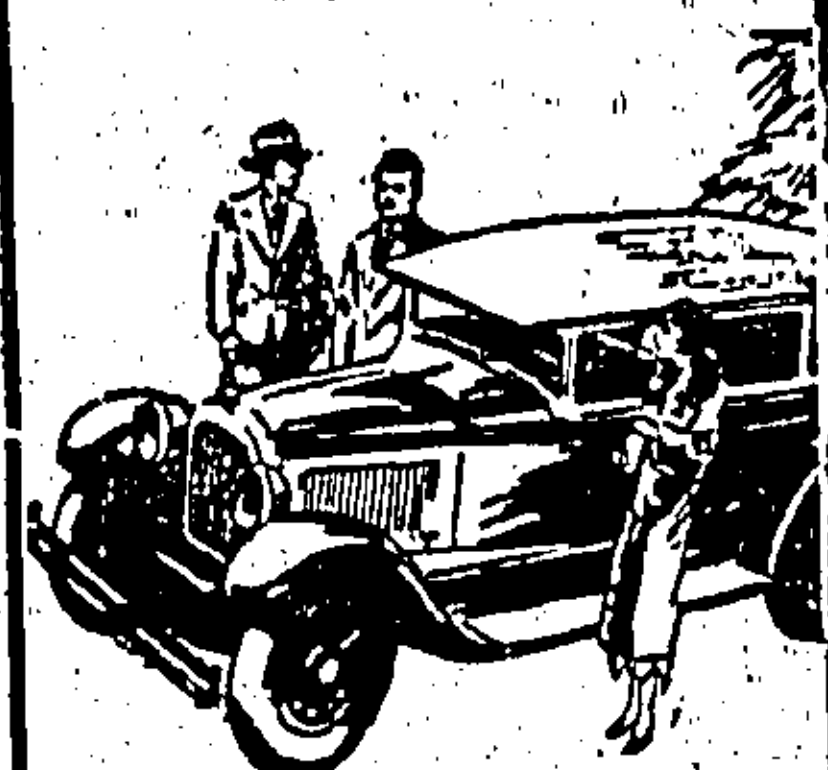
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Sports News

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

Yesterday's games in the Hong Kong League resulted as under:—

Division I.
H.K.F.C. 2 H.K. Police 1
Division II.
Navy Res. 9 R.A. Res. 0
S.L.I. Res. 2 Athletic "A" 0
Eastern F.C. 4 R.A.M.C. 3
Ewo 1 H.K.F.C. Res. 0

H.K.F.C. v. H.K. POLICE.

These teams met on St. Joseph's ground in their return game, the result being a win for the Club by the odd goal in three.

The line out was as under:—
H.K.F.C.: G. Rodger; Hill and McBride; Gilchrist, Stewart and Watson; Reid, Bell, Doldman, McCalgan and Stanton.

H.K. Police: Estall; Oram and Williams; Carruthers, McGreavy and Hunter; Cornwall, Clarke, Fraser, Dr. Valentine and Bentley.

The Police scored in the opening minute, Fraser beating Rodger with a well-placed shot. The Club then took up the running and the Police defence was hard pressed.

Stewart sent forward and Goldman, meeting the ball, sent in a fast shot that beat Estall and levelled the score.

The second half opened with the Club attacking, but shooting was wild. The Police then took up the attack and Valentine had only Rodger to beat, but his shot cleared the bar. The Police were holding their own but were unsteady in front of goal. Play was fairly even and just on time, Bell headed in from a corner kick and the Club won as above.

R.N. RESERVES v. R.A. RESERVES.

Playing on the Happy Valley ground, the Navy scored no less than nine goals against the R.A. Wyatt opened the score for the Navy very early in the game. Goodman added to the score and before the interval goals by Hughes (2) and Wyatt gave the Navy a five goals' lead at the interval.

Continuing, the Navy went further ahead through Wyatt. Goodman scored from a corner kick. Goodman added another, and Bennett and Hughes, scoring before the final whistle sounded, the Navy left the field victors by nine clear goals.

CHINESE ATH. "A" v. S.L.I. RES.

At the Stadium, the Athletic received their second defeat of the season going down to the S.L.I. by two clear goals.

The first half was very even, both teams missing easy chances. The Athletic had the better of the mid-field play but their forwards were wild. Half-time, no score.

The second half opened with a strong attack by the S.L.I. and the home defence had an anxious time. Denman opened the score from a corner kick and before the final whistle sounded, Wong Shui Wo sent the ball into his own goal.

S.L.I. Res. 2 Chinese Ath. "A" 0

R.A.M.C. v. EASTERN.

At Sookunpoo the above teams played a very interesting game which ended in favour of the Eastern by the odd goal in seven. Leonard opened the score for Eastern, and soon after Devlin levelled up for the R.A.M.C. Before the interval, Tso Po Shee scored for Eastern.

Half-time: Eastern F.C. 2, R.A.M.C. 1.
Sabban scored for Eastern early in the second half. Tarney scored for the R.A.M.C., then Leo Bing Tong added one for the Eastern. Before the final whistle sounded, Tarney scored again for the R.A.M.C.

R.A.M.C. 3 Eastern F.C. 4

H.K.F.C. RES. v. EWO.

A disgraceful ending to a league game. This match was played on the H.K.F.C. ground and ended in a win for Ewo by the only goal scored. The first half was goal-less. It is regrettable to record that several players lost control of themselves after Kam Sik Wai scored the only goal of the match. Peers was ordered off the field by the referee, and the game ended in chaos.

H.K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

HONDA ENTERS SEMI-FINAL.

The stand court match yesterday, in which M. W. Lo replayed Ng Sze Cheung in the third round of the Open Singles Championship of the Colony, ended disappointingly; for the second time a decision could not be reached, this time the score standing at two sets all. The standard of play left much to be desired, and at times play became monotonously slow. M. W. Lo did not often take the offensive, and contented himself by playing his opponent's game, hitting carefully and slowly, with the result that rallies became unduly long.

After leading by 2 sets to 1, he failed to win the match, although Ng Sze Cheung developed a cramp in the middle of the fourth set. He won the first and third sets at 7-5, 6-4, respectively, and lost the second and fourth 3-6 and 4-6, respectively.

Yesterday's results were as follows:—

T. Honda beat Kong Too Cheung, 6-2, 6-2, 8-6.

Club Championship.
A. L. Sullivan beat H. J. Armstrong, 6-4, 6-4.

Handicap Doubles.
A. D. Humphreys and G. R. Sayer (own 15) beat Lieke-Colonel Wyatt and Dr. L. T. Ride (own 2/6), 6-4, 6-3.

TO-MORROW'S MATCHES.

Open Singles.
E. C. Fincher v. Ho Ka Lau.

Handicap Doubles.
H. Graves and C. G. Johnson (own 4/6) v. Rev. Dean Swann and L. Forster (own 3/6).

TO-MORROW'S DOUBLES
A change has been made in regard to to-morrow's Open Doubles match. The Rumjahn cousins will meet the Ng brothers, instead of Ho Ka Lau and Kong Too Cheung meeting A. L. Sullivan and F. A. Redmond.

HONG KONG RIFLE LEAGUE.

RESULTS OF SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

The Hon. Secretary of the Rifle League has sent us the following results of matches fired at Stonecutters' on Saturday:—

Stonecutters' E.R.O.

	200	500	600	yds.	yds.	yds.	Ttl.
Captain Quinlan	27	21	23	71			
R.M. Markham	25	27	29	81			
P.O. Parsons	31	31	30	92			
P.O. Greening	29	29	27	85			
Sgt. Madeline							
R.M. 31	26	21	78				
Corpl. Warwick							
R.M. 33	30	31	94				
Corpl. Burnett							
R.M. 31	32	30	93				
Mae. Counter	33	29	30	92			
Add 4% for open sights							24
Grand Total							710

Taikoo R.O.

	200	500	600	yds.	yds.	yds.	Ttl.
Mr. Drummond	25	23	20	68			
Mr. McLennan	30	30	28	88			
Mr. Stainton	23	23	25	71			
Mr. Wainman	27	21	25	73			
Mr. MacIndoe	29	23	28	80			
Mr. Swan	30	29	29	88			
Mr. Nisbet	28	30	23	81			
Mr. Amery	20	21	16	57			
Add 4% for open sights							2
Grand Total							642

Hong Kong Police Reserve R.O.

	200	500	600	yds.	yds.	yds.	Ttl.
Mr. Field	27	29	23	79			
Mr. Williams	25	20	21	66			
Mr. Dunlop	21	23	25	71			
Mr. Dovey	30	30	29	89			
Mr. Starling	27	23	22	74			
Mr. Ho	25	15	15	55			
Mr. Baptis	25	23	25	73			
Mr. Sykes	27	32	20	79			
Add 4% for open sights							11
Grand Total							602

GOLF NOTES.

THE LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

(By "WYNECK.")

The final of the Ladies' Championship was played over the Old Course at Fanling on Sunday, when Mrs. Lambert defeated Mrs. Whyte-Smith by 3 and 1, although the winner never led till the 15th. Mrs. Whyte-Smith won the first, where Mrs. Lambert took three putts. The latter was bothered by the top-dressing at the second, where Mrs. Whyte-Smith got up in 3, and won in 6 to 7.

Mrs. Lambert cut her tee shot at the third into the bunker, recovered too well, and ran over the bank. Her third shot came out very strongly and struck one of the caddies, who on identification, proved to be her opponent's; so Mrs. Whyte-Smith lost a hole which she appeared certain of winning.

Bad putting resulted in a half in 9 at the fourth, and Mrs. Lambert squared at the fifth, where her opponent was in trouble all the way. The next two holes were halved, but Mrs. Whyte-Smith went ahead with a 4 at the next, and saved herself by a chip and putt for a half in 6 at the turn.

A regulation 3 at the tenth made Mrs. Whyte-Smith 2 up, but from here on Mrs. Lambert's golf improved.

Halves in 6 and 3 resulted at the next two holes. At the latter Mrs. Whyte-Smith played a masterly chip from a bunker, and ran down her putt.

Mrs. Lambert won the thirteenth and fifteenth in 3 and 4 to square the match, and got her nose in front with a 5 at the Armchair, where her opponent missed her drive badly.

Mrs. Whyte-Smith hit a good drive at Braeside, but duffed her second, whilst Mrs. Lambert recovered well from the bunker and got her 4 to become dormie.

Both were well round the corner in two at the seventeenth, but Mrs. Whyte-Smith failed to reach the green with her 3rd, and Mrs. Lambert won by 3 and 1, taking 39 shots for the eight homeward holes.

Mrs. Lambert came onto her game just in time, and Mrs. Whyte-Smith rather cracked under pressure. She was certainly unlucky to lose the 3rd hole at a time when she was playing by far the better game of the two.

Putting is a department of the game in which the ladies are generally superior to the men. In the early stages of the match both players took three putts or more on one occasion. As the match progressed the putting improved.

Mrs. Whyte-Smith in particular running down some good putts.

TO-MORROW'S HOCKEY.

H.K.H.C. "A" XI. v. S.L.I.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Hockey Club "A" XI, in their match with the Somerset Light Infantry at King's Park on Friday at 8 p.m.:—

R. W. Saperd, G. A. L. Plummer, G. Rankin (Captain), A. A. R. Botelho, E. G. S. Dale, J. W. Arber, S. J. H. Fox, Dr. Utley, L. G. Frost, T. R. Rowell, W. G. S. Tighe.

CRICKET.

TAIKOO v. WAYFOONG.

The undermentioned will represent Taikoo in the match against Wayfoong at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday on H.K.C.C. ground:—
R. H. Dowler, W. R. Greenhalgh, C. C. Hickling, J. R. Hinton, E. Jones, J. W. Robertson, L. A. Ross, H. Spicer, W. F. K. Telfer, G. Walsh, E. A. Walter.

INTER-VARSITY GOLF.

OXFORD'S LEAD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 25. Oxford led Cambridge by four matches to one at the end of today's play, in the annual inter-varsity golf contest, which commenced at Hoylake.

The Oxford team includes three Americans—under-graduates, R. Baugh, the captain of the team, A. Sweeney and H. Scheffal.

Baugh and Sweeney in the principal match beat the leading Cantabs, Prain Longhurst, by 1 up and 2 to 1.

Today was devoted to foursomes, and to-morrow there will be ten singles matches.

THE CRICKET INTERPORT.

HONG KONG TO PLAY SHANGHAI IN MAY.

SELECTORS AND INVITATIONS.

In connection with the Interport Cricket fixture with Shanghai, the Hong Kong Cricket Club have received a formal invitation from Shanghai to send a team up in May.

The following Committee under the Chairmanship of Mr. H. D. B. Hancock were appointed to make all necessary arrangements in connection with the trip:—

T. E. Pearce.
A. W. Brace.
A. C. I. Bowker.
H. Owen Hughes.

Letters of invitation have been sent to the following players inviting them to represent the Colony:—

T. E. Pearce.
A. W. Brace.
A. C. I. Bowker.
E. D. Duckitt.
E. C. Fincher.
E. F. Fincher.
H. Owen Hughes.
A. H. Musson.
J. Omar.
J. D. Reynolds.
A. Reid.
Col. F. Wyatt.
F. Zimmer.

No replies have yet been received, but the team will play under the Captaincy of Mr. Pearce.

MAN AGED 70 CITED AS CO-RESPONDENT.

LONDON STOCKBROKERS' CLERK ASKS FOR DIVORCE.

A defended divorce suit in which a 70-year-old former Welsh international Rugby football player and referee, Mr. W. Williams, of Russell Road, Kensington, W., was cited as co-respondent, came before Mr. Justice Bateson in the Divorce Court a few weeks ago.

Mr. Herbert James Nathan Clayton, of Bishop's Mansions, Bishop's Park Road, Fulham, formerly of Sheen Gate Mansions, East Sheen, a stockbroker's clerk, asked for a divorce from his wife Kate (nee Harvey), alleging misconduct with Mr. Williams at Russell Road, Kensington, since April last.

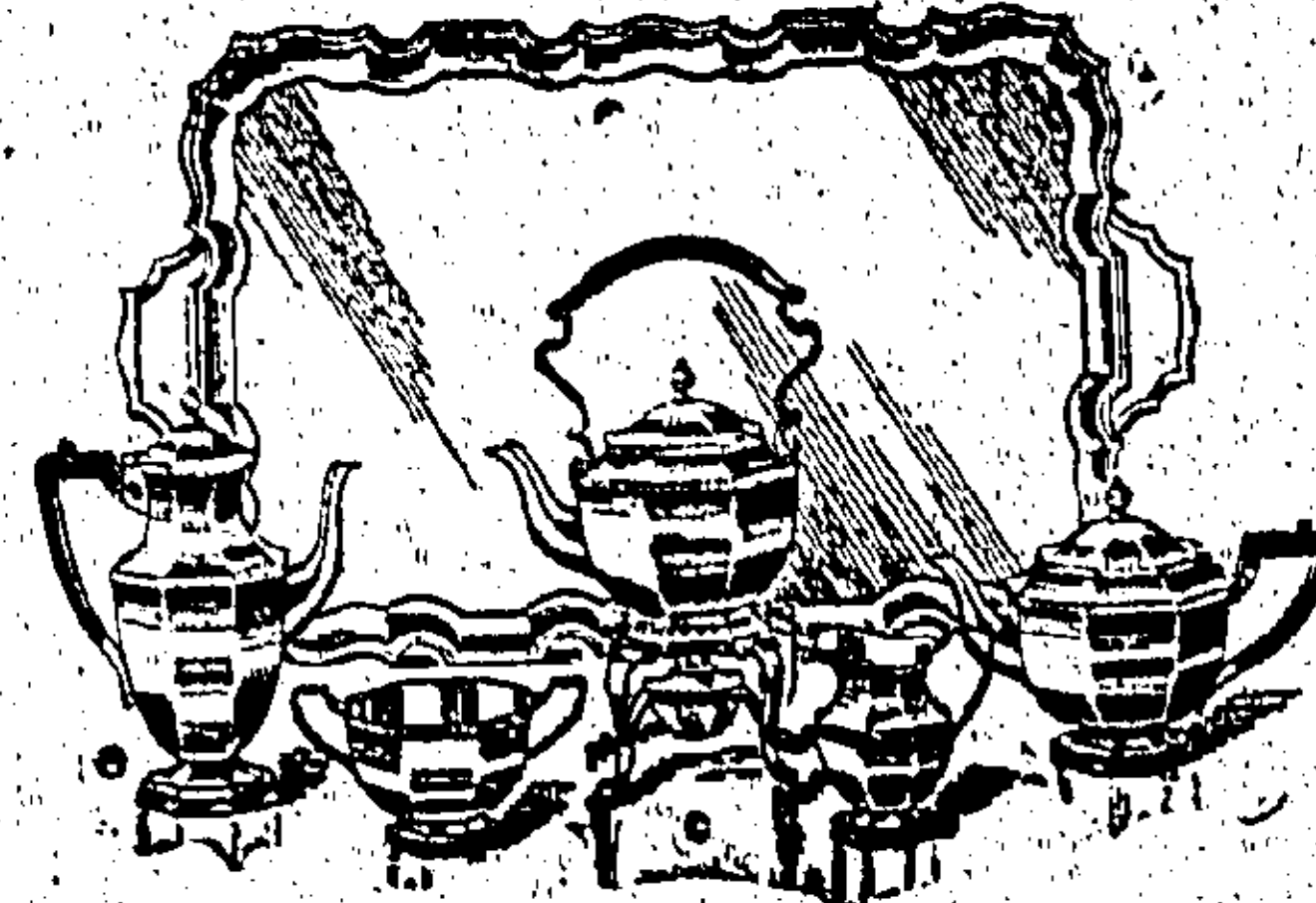
The reply was that there had been no misconduct, and Mrs. Clayton was acting at that address as Mr. Williams's housekeeper.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton were married in 1911 at a Wandsworth register office, and they lived together at Langley Mansions, Vauxhall, King's Road, St. Margarets, Surrey, and Sidney Road, St. Margarets, N.

Mrs. Kate Clayton gave evidence denying the suggestion made against her.

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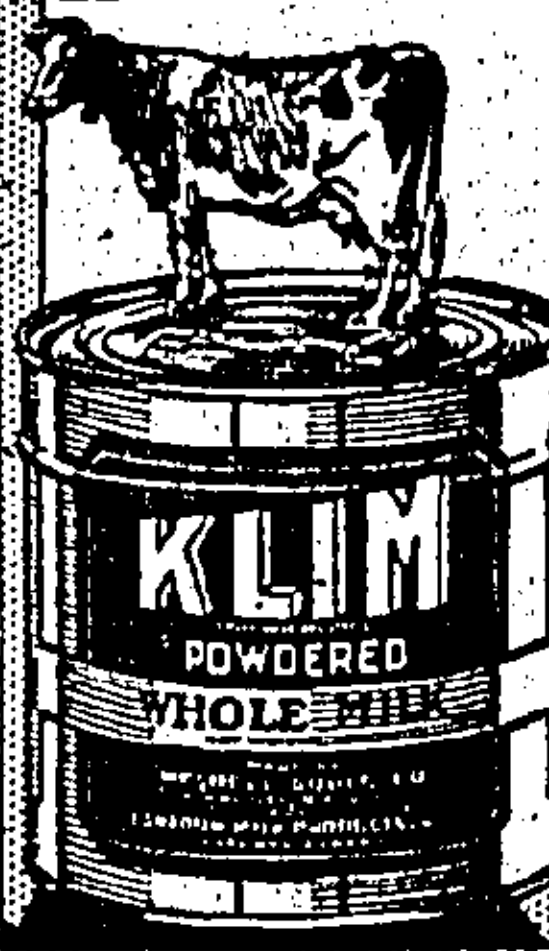
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REVOLVER UNDER A FLOOR.

WHITE WOMAN IN LONDON OPIUM-DEN.

Discoveries by police in an alleged opium den in Linthouse led to the appearance of a middle-aged white woman and a Chinese man at the Thames Police Court last month.

The man, Yen Le Ung, was accused of possessing opium and opium smoking utensils and having a pistol without a permit, and the woman, Elizabeth Chee, was accused of allowing premises in Silver Lion-court, E., to be used for opium smoking.

They were remanded on bail.

Night Search.

Detective Inspector E. Edwards, of Scotland Yard, stated that one night he and other detectives visited the house in Silver Lion Court, of which Chee was the tenant. Chee told him that Le Ung was her lodger.

"We began to search the premises," said Inspector Edwards, "I noticed a strong smell of opium fumes in the room occupied by Le Ung and found an opium pipe there. Also there were a bowl, in which there was a small quantity of prepared opium, and a tin in which was a quantity of raw opium."

Inspector Edwards added: "Underneath a table on a shelf close to the top of the table I found four pellets of prepared opium, and under the table were an opium lamp and a piece of wire for cleaning opium pipes, on which was adhering some prepared opium. On the table was a small quantity of opium ash, a tin tray on which opium is placed, and a knife, which was smeared with opium."

Prepared Opium.

"Detective Lount pulled up a loose floor board and underneath was a revolver. There were nine rounds of ammunition in a tea caddy."

Then went to the bedroom occupied by Chee, and on her table found a quantity of prepared opium and a needle on which was a quantity of fresh prepared opium."

Inspector Edwards stated that he found an opium pipe stem in the woman's front sitting-room, and Detective Lount pulled up a loose floor-board and found an opium pipe.

THE AMERICA CUP CHALLENGER.

DATE OF LAUNCH OF SHAMROCK V.

Mr. Charles E. Nicholson, the designer of Sir Thomas J. Lipton's America Cup challenger, Shamrock V., which is being built at Camper and Nicholson's yard at Gosport, has announced that the vessel, which has been planked up and is having her decks laid, will be ready for launching on Monday, April 14. The christening ceremony will be performed by Lady Shaftesbury. There will be a big gathering of yachtsmen on the occasion.

Major Sir Philip Hunkle, the King's yachting adviser, and helmsman of Britannia, tells me that, although the Royal racing cutter will be fitted out for racing during the forthcoming season, she will not go the round of the coast regattas. She will not take part in the opening fixtures of the season at Harwich and Southend, but will be fitted out in time to compete in the special races which have been arranged for the trying out of Shamrock in the Solent at the end of May and beginning of June. Britannia will not go to either the Irish or Scottish regattas.

A SEAMAN'S DESCRIPTION OF TRAFALGAR.

LETTER GIVEN TO PLYMOUTH MUSEUM.

The Plymouth Municipal Museum and Art Gallery has been presented with the original of a letter written by a Plymouth seaman named J. Bailey, dated H.M.S. Africa at Spithead, December 4, 1805, in which he describes the part taken by his ship in the battle of Trafalgar. The gift was made to the museum by the proprietors of the *Western Morning News*.

J. Bailey, who evidently was an officer of the Africa, speaks of the battle as "one of the most gallant and desperate that was ever known to be fought." He writes: "At 2.30 p.m. (October 21, 1805) we observed a French two-decker making off. We immediately made all sail after him and at 3.0 brought him to action within pistol shot and remained (in) this situation for two hours and 30 minutes, when he struck ... with the loss of his main topmast and mizen mast and two ... and wounded. Forty of his guns dismounted the ... (action) was at this time nearly ended and 19 of the enemy standing away make their escape. We had 19 killed and 43 wounded the captain and myself the only two left on the poop. Our masts and rigging cut in pieces and her hull much damaged one of our lower deck guns burst at the commencement."

The letter concludes with a reference to the fact that the writer had been slightly wounded.

BLASPHEMY BILL WITHDRAWN.

UNACCEPTABLE GOVERNMENT AMENDMENT.

The Blasphemy Bill has been dropped by its promoters.

When the Standing Committee of the House of Commons, to whom the bill had been referred, met on February 25, Sir J. B. Melville, K.C., the Solicitor General, said the Government would insist on a clause making it an offence to publish scurrilous matter outraging religious convictions.

Mr. Thurtle (Lab.-Shoreditch) said the Solicitor General's statement was extremely disappointing, and it seemed to him that it would be preferable to allow the law to stay as it was than to have the clause indicated. At the present time, if a charge of blasphemy was made it was possible to go to the Courts and argue that seventeenth century survival which had no modern sanction behind it should not be put into operation. What the promoters of the Bill aimed at was to provide that attacks on religion should not be singled out for prosecution as against attacks on beliefs. The law was sufficiently strong to deal with the question of indecency.

He moved that the Committee should not proceed further with the Bill.

Sir Boyd-Merriman (C.—Manchester) said that he and his colleagues had put down amendments to the Bill in the sense that they believed that the so-called medieval law was administered in accordance with modern thought.

Dr. R. Forgan (Lab.—Renfrew) said the primary cause of the death of hon. members on the other side, but a contributory cause was the abstinence of the official members of the Government.

The motion for the withdrawal of the Bill was passed unanimously.

PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.

The following passengers arrived yesterday by the s.s. D'Artagnan from Marseilles:—Mr. Chung Chin Li, Mr. Moirard, Mr. and Mrs. D. de la Prade and two children, Mr. Claude, Mr. L. Demarti, Mr. and Mrs. Bigazzi, Mr. A. Gutterreco, Mr. H. Hind, Mr. J. B. Wilcox, Mrs. W. Tylic, Mrs. L. B. Bacon, Mr. and Mrs. Duperon, Mr. and Mrs. Ch. P. Stokes, Miss Morris and Miss Bichmore, Mr. de Lac Cases, Dr. H. de Las Cases, Miss F. E. Silbeck, Mr. and Mrs. Saint Martin, Mr. Yok Ma, Mr. J. H. Dulin, Mrs. Fabre, Mr. Charvriat, Mr. and Mrs. Hentochel, Mrs. Truffy, Mr. Henri Clery, Mr. and Mrs. G. Majot and two infants, Mrs. and Mrs. Sevier, Mr. and Mrs. Snayes and two infants, Mr. and Mrs. Ohl and two infants, Mr. Louis Asadian, Mr. Tchong Yan, Mr. Marcel Fabert, Mr. and Mrs. Got and infant, Mr. Berghier, Mrs. de Lavallade and Mrs. Heriot, Mr. Robert Durocher, Mr. Chaplin, Mrs. Donhours and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Zeidt, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Poeth and infant, Mr. J. Basin and infant, Miss N. C. Glenaham, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Chang Ping and three infants, Mrs. Hibon and infant, Mr. Y. Theng, Mr. Balle, Mr. and Mrs. Andre, and infant, Mrs. Stetson and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Rosati and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Bonnet, Miss Fraissinet, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Stevens, Mr. A. R. Henderson, Mr. H. G. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hahway, Rev. P. Marie Louis, Mr. Moirez.

Departures.

The following passengers left here by the s.s. Chenonceaux for Marseilles and ports yesterday:—Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Abbott, Mr. G. P. Hiet, Mr. Drouth, Mr. C. Duclos, Mr. L. Crozel, Mr. and Mrs. F. Holman, Miss C. McCloch, Mr. and Mrs. Waterman, Miss Rothschild, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Torrey, Mr. G. Charles, Mr. H. W. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Collier, Mr. A. Murray, Rev. Sister Marie Aimee, Rev. Sister Benedict, Capt. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. F. Orozco, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Duval and two children, Miss E. Huguet, Rev. F. Pelamougues, Mr. J. G. Blackett, Mr. J. Beuzit, Mr. A. Salau, Mr. A. Peinhero de Castro, Mr. N. Guillem, and Mr. E. Gialanella.

The following passengers left here by the s.s. D'Artagnan yesterday for the North:—Mr. Wehren, Mr. and Mrs. Dasser and two children, Mr. Germain, Mr. and Mrs. Deloye, Mr. F. Rosenkötter, Mr. H. Meyer, Mr. E. Sasson, Mr. J. P. Noonan, Mr. J. Moras, Mr. J. Gartenstein, Mr. N. Blumenthal, Rev. C. W. Sheppard, Mrs. M. N. K. Sokoloff, Mr. D. Cunio, Mr. C. Willis, Mr. S. D. Toolsky, Mr. Savitsky, Mr. and Mrs. Faux, Mr. and Mrs. Guevara.

The following passengers left here by the s.s. Tupy Maru for Manila yesterday:—Mr. S. Kinoshita, Mr. T. Hamano, Mr. Max Basker, Mr. and Mrs. Max Basker, Mr. and Mrs. Saint Martin, Mr. J. H. Dulin, Mr. D. Iwanaga, Mr. A. Sierra, Mr. R. Renteria.

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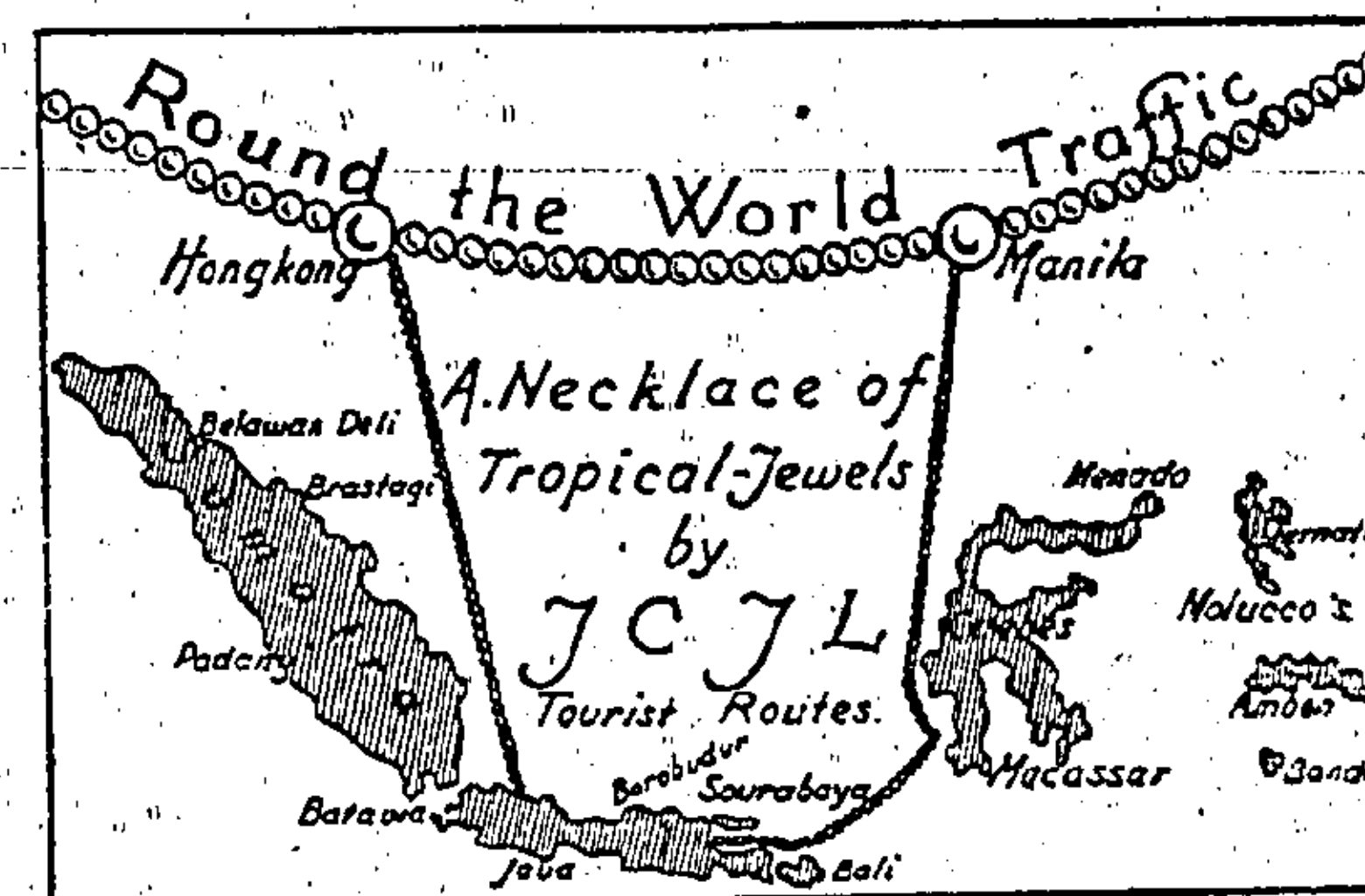
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TJIBADAK	S'HAL & AMOY	13th Apr.	15th Apr.	MANILA, ME'SAR, & SOERABAYA
TJISAROEK	AMOY	20th Apr.	22nd Apr.	BATAVIA

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TJISALAK	JAVA, MAKASSAR	29th Mar.	31st Mar.	SWATOW & AMOY
TJIBADAK	BATAVIA	2nd Apr.	2nd Apr.	AMOY & S'HAL
TJISAROEK	JAVA, MAKASSAR	12th Apr.	14th Apr.	SWATOW & AMOY
TJISONDARI	BATAVIA	18th Apr.	17th Apr.	AMOY & S'HAL
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STATION	MARCH 25, 1930.										MARCH 26, 1930.									
	Hour	Barometer	Thermometer	Wind	Cloud	Humidity	Direction	Force	State	Remarks	Hour	Barometer	Thermometer	Wind	Cloud	Humidity	Direction	Force	State	Remarks
Wladivostok	12	30.23	767.8	32	...	ESE	5	0	...	...	6	30.18	766.0	34	...	SE	7	0	...	...
Nemuro	11	30.24	768.0	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...	5	30.30	769.3	...	...	NE	...	...	...	...
Hokodate	...	30.22	767.5	...	...	N	2	...	...	...	...	30.22	767.5	...	...	WSW	...	...	...	...
Tokio	...	30.10	764.5	...	...	SW	1	...	...	...	...	30.22	767.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kochi	...	30.14	765.5	...	...	SE	1	...	...	...	...	30.18	766.5	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...
Nagasaki	...	30.10	764.5	...	...	ENE	1	...	...	...	...	30.16	766.0	...	...	S	...	...	...	...
Kagoshima	...	30.08	764.0	...	...	NNE	3	...	...	...	...	30.12	765.5	...	...	NE	1	...	...	...
Oshima	...	30.08	764.0	...	...	NNE	3	...	...	...	...	30.10	764.5	...	...	NE	1	...	...	...
Naha	...	30.13	765.0	...	...	NNE	1	...	...	...	...	30.06	765.5	...	...	NW	2	...	...	...
Ishigakijima	...	29.64	758.0	...	...	ESE	3	...	...	...	...	29.86	758.5	...	...	NW	2	...	...	...
Bonin Island	...	29.64	758.0	...	...	SE	1	...	...	...	...	29.79	756.6	...	...	S	...	...	...	...
Chefoo	13	30.15	765.9	73	...	SE	1	...	...	...	...	30.05	763.2	50	...	ESE	2	...	...	...
Shanghai	14	30.22	767.8	54	100	SE	4	of	...	...	...	30.11	764.8	60	100	SE	...	...	...	...
Gutzlaff	...	30.13	765.0	74	63	E	2	b	...	...	...	30.07	763.8	58	88	N	1	...	...	...
Sharp Peak	...	30.08	764.0	67	94	SSE	4	b	...	...	...	30.04	763.0	63	94	SE	...	...	...	...
Amoy	...	30.04	763.0	68	76	ESE	2	b	...	...	...	30.02	762.6	61	93	E	...	...	...	...
Swatow	...	30.14	765.6	77	57	ENE	4	b	...	...	...	30.02	762.6	63	...	...	...	...	...	...
Taihou	...	30.11	764.7	77	...	NW	2	b	...	...	...	29.99	761.7	64	...	NE	...	...	...	...
Taihu	...	30.01	762.3	82	...	NW	2	b	...	...	...	29.99	761.7	72	...	NE	...	...	...	...
Tainan	...	30.07	763.8	81	...	ENE	4	b	...	...	...	29.99	761.7	72	...	NE	...	...	...	...
Koshun	...	30.11	764.7	75	...	NNE	4	b	...	...	...	29.98	759.0	65	...	N	...	...	...	...
Pescadore	...	30.11	763.0	72	73	E	3	o	...	...	...	29.97	761.2	67	67	E	...	...	...	...
Hong Kong	14	30.04	763.0	...	...	ENE	3	o	...	...	...	29.97	761.2	...	...	ENE	...	...	...	...
Gap Rock	...	30.02	762.6	77	68	SE	1	o	...	...	...	29.94	760.5	66	90	SE	...	...	...	...
Macao	...	30.06	763.5	73	86	E	2	c	...	...	...	29.96	761.0	73	91	E	...	...	...	...
Hoihow	...	30.01	762.2	77	78	ENE	3	o	...	...	...	29.95	760.8	64	100	SE	...	...	...	...
Pratas Island	...	30.01	762.3	68	96	ENE	4	of	...	...	...	29.91	759.8	70	...	SSW	...	...	...	...
Phulien	15	29.97	760.8	73	...	ENE	2	of	...	...	...	29.91	759.8	70	...	SSW	...	...	...	...
Tourane	...	29.97	758.7	81	...	ENE	4	b	...	...	...	29.88	759.0	77	...	ENE	...	...	...	...
Cape St. James	...	29.87	761.4	81	66	SE	4	o	...	...	...	29.98	761.5	73	75	ENE	...	...	...	...
Basco	14	29.94	760.5	84	68	ENE	4	o	...	...	...	29.94	760.5	75	88	E	...	...	...	...
Aparri	...	29.91	759.6	90	48	SE	1	o	...	...	...	29.87	758.7	74	...	ENE	...	...	...	...
Tuguegarao	...	29.87	758.7	84	68	W	4	b	...	...	...	29.92	759.7	70	88	ENE	...	...	...	...
Vigan	...	29.88	759.0	90	55	E	4	o	...	...	...	29.92	759.7	70	88	ENE	...	...	...	...
Manila	...	29.88	759.0	86	71	ENE	2	b	...	...	...	29.92	759.7	70	88	ENE	...	...	...	...
Legaspi	...	29.88	759.0	86	71	SW	4	b	...	...	...	29.92	759.7	70	88	ENE	...	...	...	...
Calbayog	...	29.88	759.0	86	71	S	4	b	...	...	...	29.92	759.7	70	88	ENE	...	...	...	...
Tacloban	...	29.88	759.0	86	71	NE	6	b	...	...	...	29.89	759.3	75	88	N	...	...	...	...
Iloilo	...	29.84	757.8	86	56	NE	4	b	...	...	...	29.89	759.3	75	88	N	...	...	...	...
Cebu	...	29.85	758.1	86	56	NE	4	b	...	...	...	29.89	759.3	75	88	N	...	...	...	...
Surigao	...	29.86	758.4	84	71	ENE	4	o	...	...	...	29.87	758.7	74	...	ENE	...	...	...	...
Saipan	...	12.22	29.84	757.8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.86	758.4	...	...	NNE	...	...	...	...
Guam	...	11.00	29.84	757.8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.89	759.2	76	...	NE	...	...	...	...
Yap	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.85	758.2	80	...	E	...	...	...	...
Palau	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.83	757.7	80	91	...	...	...	...	...
Ponape	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Labuan	14	29.80	756.9	90	66	NW	4	b	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

March 26d. 11h. 03m.—The anticyclone is central to the N.E. of Japan. A large, probably shallow, depression covers China.
Moderate to light variable winds along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea. Coastal fog.
Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1, 7.19 inches, against an average of 5.53 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON MARCH 27.

DISTRICT.	FORECAST.
1.—Formosa Channel	Moderate to light E. or variable winds, generally cloudy.
2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lintocks	
3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock	
4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan	

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, March 26.

Previous Day	On Date	On Date
at 4 p.m.	at 10 a.m.	at 4 p.m.
Barometer ... 30.03	30.02	29.81
Temperature ... 73	69	67
Humidity ... 78	74	85
Wind ...	E	ENE
Direction ...	E	ENE
Force ...	3	4
Weather ...	O	O
Rain ...	0.00	0.00

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Lowest open-air Temperature, 20.63

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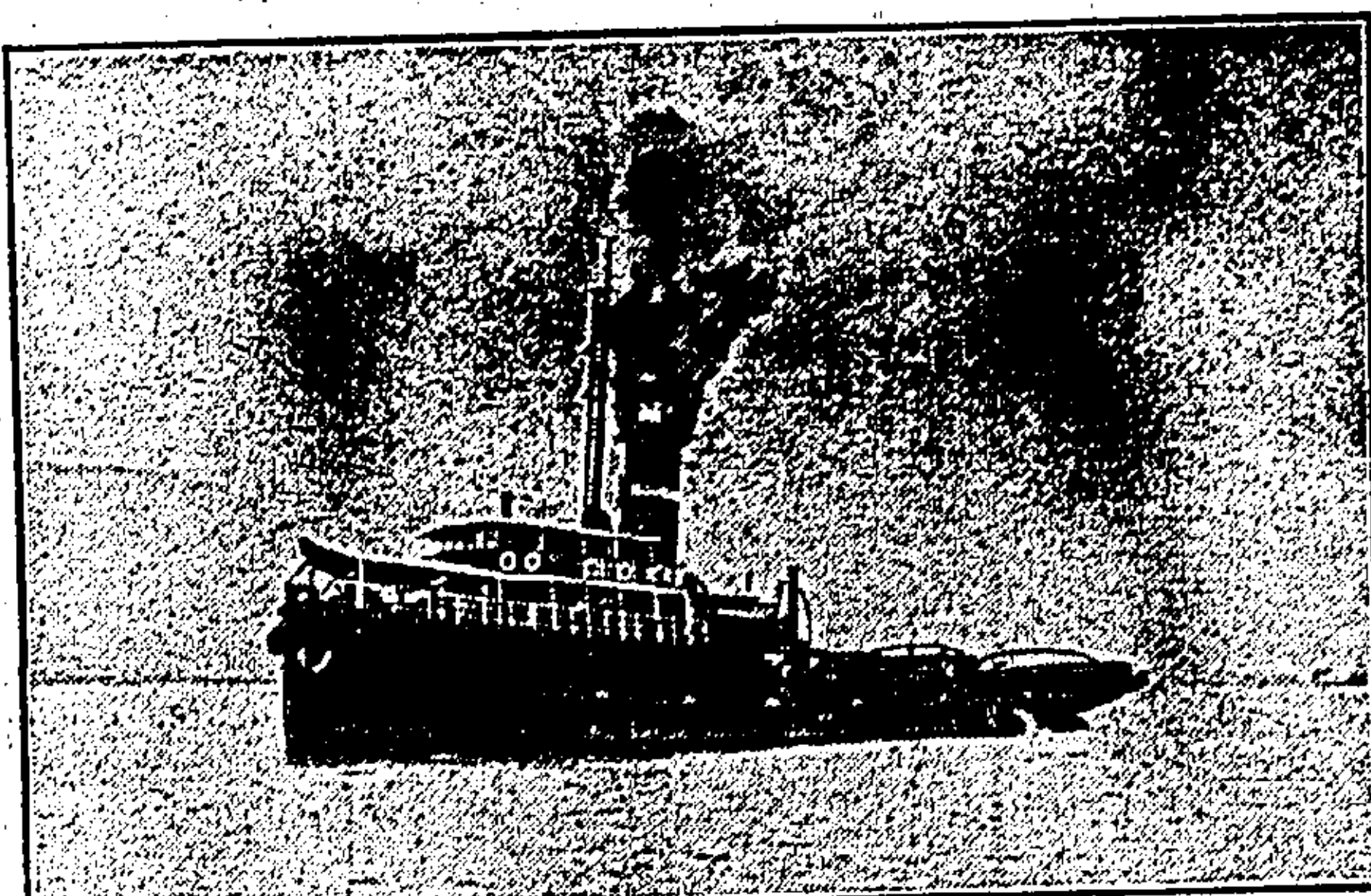
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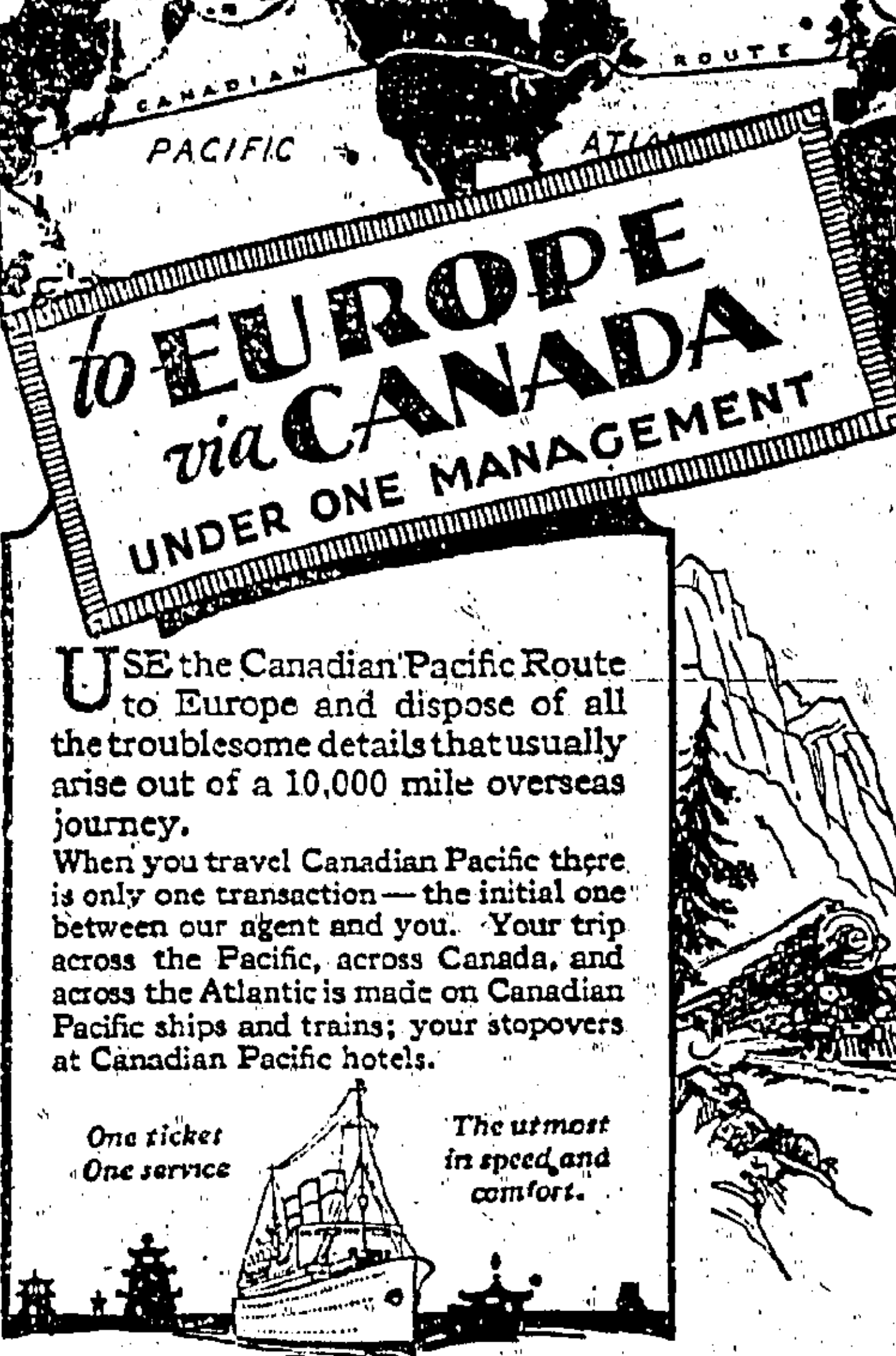
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OSAKA via AMOY, MOJI & KOBE ...	"NAMSANG"	Tues., 8th Apr., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOY, S'HAU MOJI & KOBE ...	"KUTSANG" "SUTSANG"	Fri., 18th Apr., at 7 a.m. Fri., 25th Apr. at 7 a.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA ...	"KUMSANG" "HOSANG"	Mon., 31st Mar., at 3 p.m. Fri., 2nd May, at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN ...	"HINSANG" "MAUSANG"	Wed., 2nd Apr. at Noon Thurs., 17th Apr. at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN via SWATOW & FOOCHOW ...	"CHIPSING" "CHEONGSING"	Tues., 8th Apr. at 7 a.m. Thurs., 17th Apr. at 7 a.m.



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KATORI MARU	Saturday, 19th April
ATSUTA MARU	Saturday, 19th April
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.	
ARI MARU	Wednesday, 23rd April
KAGA MARU	Wednesday, 23rd April
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.	
TOTTORI MARU	Thursday, 27th March
KUROHIME MARU	Monday, 31st March
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.	
GINYO MARU	Saturday, 5th April
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.	
KANAGAWA MARU	Saturday, 5th April
NEW YORK, BOSTON via PANAMA.	
KARO MARU	Friday, 29th March
TORA MARU	Thursday, 28th April
LISBON MARU	Wednesday, 16th April
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Constantinople, Genoa & Marseilles.	
LIMA MARU	Monday, 14th April
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	
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IMPORTS 13,950 TONS;
THROUGH CARGO 23,200 TONS.

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

British	H.K.	Ports.
Japanese Prince, Shanghai	230	150
Kwangtung, Bangkok	1,139	—
Hong Hwa, Penang	330	140
Chekiang, Amoy	350	420
Pong Tong, Saigon	2,000	—
Bennevis, London	450	3,800
Kum Sang, Calcutta	90	5,987
Hinsang, Sandakan	3,055	—
		7,637 — 7,497

American
Pres. McKinley, Shanghai 1,529 3,025
Birmingham City, Takao 967 —

French
Chenonceaux, Shanghai 24 533

Italian
Fiume, Singapore 41 4,000

Dutch
Cremor, Swatow — 1,428
Tjimanock, Amoy — 5,737

Norwegian
Hermud, Bangkok 1,832 —

Japanese
Lushan Maru, Shanghai 45 484
Mishima Maru, Seattle 676 —

Tango Maru, Yokohama 460 —
Katsuragisan Maru, Shanghai — 2,400

Chinese
Shiu Hing, Macao 30 —

Total 13,951 23,204

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were:—

British	Arr.	Dep.
American	8	5
French	1	2
Italian	1	1
Dutch	2	1
Norwegian	2	1
Japanese	5	5
Chinese	2	2

Total 24 20

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Hong Hwa (Br.)	Penang
Singapore	438

(Continued on next Column.)

PASSENGERS

Arrivals

The following passengers arrived by the s.s. Mishima Maru from Shanghai on March 26:—Mr. Max Basker, Mrs. Chiyo Hasegawa, Mr. Peter G. Klavoren, Mrs. Jenny Van L. Klavoren, Mr. Peter Van Klavoren, Miss Eileen Sarah English, Miss Inice Violet Presheo, Mr. Ralph L. Phillips, Master Robert Wesley Phillips, Miss Betty Turner, Mr. Tio Hoo Jang, Mrs. Skia Boog Ing, Miss Tio Hak Seng, and Mr. Lie Hi Chew.

Departures

The following passengers left Hong Kong for Australia by the s.s. Tango Maru on March 28:—Mr. K. Satoh, Mr. Lo Pin, Mr. Te Hok Siong, Mr. Chua Keng, Mr. Chua Lin Gui, Mrs. Go Chu, Mr. and Mrs. F. Aragaki, Mr. and Mrs. T. Hirazawa, Miss Y. Hirazawa, Master Y. Hirazawa, Miss J. Hirazawa, Mr. de Galmberg, Miss Louise Froula, Mr. R. Lock, Miss M. Macleod, Miss A. Macleod, Miss L. A. Pritchard, Mr. F. J. Fiander, Mrs. Mary A. Trucks, Mr. S. Banno, Mrs. Ida Cook, Capt. and Mrs. E. V. Harcourt, Mrs. S. Nambu, Mr. and Mrs. F. Bitzer, Mr. W. Kojima, Mr. W. MacLean, Mr. S. Hosoda, Mrs. M. Kobayashi, Mr. and Mrs. Tingshi C. Sun, Mrs. C. Ishibashi, Mr. Go Ki, Mr. T. Kobayashi, Mr. N. Takahashi, Mr. T. Shimizu, Mr. E. Fukumoto, Mr. Yee Dock Kiu, Mr. Yee Tock Chiong, Mr. Uy Sing Ki, Mr. Chang Yu, Mr. Jose Wong Sing, Mr. Jay Chit, Mr. Jose Mao Kwong, Mr. Ma Hang, Mr. Lee Yee, Mrs. W. Read, and Mrs. E. Nishimoto.

SHIPS IN HARBOUR

The following vessels were in harbour:—

Wharves:—Kowloon: Glenbeg, Hosang, Tango Maru, Resolute, Bennevis, Tottori Maru, Socony, Laichikok, Birmingham City, O.S.K.: Del Mar, Douglas Laprak, Haiching, Chiu On, Hydrangea, Kowloon: Mindanao, Sumatra, Tin Yat, Tin Hor, Utrecht, Venezia, Selene, Haiyang, Taikoo, Linnam, Tung Fong, Ranelia, Sunning, Charles Harcourt, Paul Beau.
Buys:—A1 D'Artagnan, A2 Mishima Maru, A3 Tenyo Maru, A4 Japanese Prince, A5 Tallyhuus, A6 Cremor, A8 Kako Maru, B11 Kaying, B12 Taiyuan, B13 Kwangtung, C15 Pronto, C16 Hermud, C17 Helios, B21 Tang Woo, B24 Kum Sang, A25 Greystoke Castle, A26 Yoshida Maru No. 6, B32 Chak-sang, B34 Hong Hwa, C35 Dux, B36 Telemachus, C37 Chengtu, B38 Taito Maru, C39 Tai Fook Sing, C40 Wong Shek Kung, C41 Limchow, C42 Pong Tong, C43 Chekiang, C45 Shioya Maru, B50 Kaimilva, B51 Tokai Maru, C33 Saga Maru.

Pong Tong (Br.) Saigon 241
Kum Sang (Br.) Calcutta, Singapore 150
Pres. McKinley (Am.) San Francisco, Shanghai 290
Cremor (Dutch) Amoy, Swatow 1,634
Pronto (Nor.) Swatow 527
Lushan Maru (Jap.) Shang-hai, Swatow 316
Tango Maru (Jap.) Yokohama, Nagasaki 254
Total 3,771

Del Mar, for Swatow.

ARRIVALS

March 25.

Kwangtung, British str., 1,573 tons, Capt. J. D. Milne, from Hoihow, buoy No. B12—B. & S.

March 26.

Canton Maru, Japanese str., 9,800 tons, Capt. Y. Swasaki, from Keelung O.S.K. Wharf—O.S.K. Chekiang, British str., 1,313 tons, Capt. J. Pringle, from Amoy, buoy No. C13—B. & S.
Chung Woo, Chinese str., 1,234 tons, Capt. A. Stringer, from Fung Rong, Yaumati—Wada Jimusho.

Cremor, Dutch str., 2,785 tons, Capt. G. J. Harrison, from Swatow, buoy No. A6—J.C.J.L.
D'Artagnan, French str., 9,608 tons, Capt. Sabiani, from Saigon, buoy No. A1—M.M.

Foo Shing, British str., 1,423 tons, Capt. W. A. Balch, from Swatow, West Point Wharf—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Glenbeg, British motor ship, 12,300 tons, Capt. L. Mewling, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Hai Ching, British str., 1,287 tons, Capt. G. Walker, from Swatow, Douglas Wharf—Douglas S.S. Co.

Hermud, Norwegian str., 840 tons, Capt. C. H. Anderson, from Bangkok, buoy No. C16—Thoresen & Co.

Hong Hwa, British str., 1,924 tons, Capt. J. H. Gregory, from Singapore, buoy No. B34—Ho Thong & Co.

Hydrangea, British str., 581 tons, Capt. P. W. Grierson, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf—Chiu On S.S. Co.

Japanese Prince, British str., 3,658 tons, Capt. W. Finch, from Shanghai, buoy No. A4—Furuse (Far East), Ltd.

Mishima Maru, Japanese str., 4,915 tons, Capt. S. Takahashi, from Shanghai, buoy No. A2—N.Y.K.

New Mathilde, British str., 845 tons, Capt. E. G. Rapley, from Pak-hoi, buoy No. C44—rick Tai & Co.

Pong Tong, British str., 1,501 tons, Capt. F. E. Freckleton, from Saigon, buoy No. C42—Yuen Seng Fat.

Resolute, German str., 20,000 tons, Capt. F. Kruse, from New York, Kowloon Wharf—Jensen & Co.

Saga Maru, Japanese str., 1,248 tons, Capt. K. Nakagawa, from Karatsu, buoy No. C53—M.S.K. Sinking, British str., 1,918 tons, Capt. H. Jones, from Swatow, buoy No. B9—B. & S.

Tottori Maru, Japanese str., 5,973 tons, Capt. K. Imada, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.

CLEARANCES

March 23.

Bennevis, for Milke.
Birmingham City, for Belawan Chekiang, for Canton.
Chengtu, for Swatow.
Cremor, for Singapore.
D'Artagnan, for Shanghai.
Glenbeg, for Shanghai.
Ho Sang, for Moji.
Hong Hwa, for Swatow.
Hpei Maru, for Haiphong.
Kum Sang, for Amoy.
Japanese Prince, for Manila.
Pronto, for Singapore.
Sinking, for Canton.
Tai Fook Sing, for Saigon.
Tai Yuan, for Amoy.
Taito Maru, for Bangkok.
Tenyo Maru, for Manila P.I.
Tottori Maru, for Singapore.

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"MALWA"	10,980	12th Apr.	Marseilles and London.
"RAJPUTANA"	6,715	23rd Apr.	Strait, Colombo & Rangoon.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	26th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	3rd May	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	10th May	Mars. L'don, Hull, B'dm. & A'werp.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	17th May [Mar.]	L'don, Hull, B'dm. & A'werp.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	24th May	Bombay, Mars. & London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	31st May [Mar.]	L'don, Hull, B'dm. & A'werp.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	7th June	Marseilles, London and Hull.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	21st June	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	28th June [Mar.]	L'don, Hull, B'dm. & A'werp.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	5th July	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	12th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	19th July [Mar.]	L'don, Hull, B'dm. & A'werp.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	26th July	Marseilles, London and Hull.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	2nd Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	9th Aug.	Marseilles & London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	16th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	23rd Aug.	Marseilles & London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	30th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	6th Sept.	Marseilles & London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	13th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	20th Sept.	Marseilles & London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	27th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	4th Oct.	Marseilles & London.

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"TALAMBA"	8,018	1st Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TARADA"	9,849	1st Apr. 2 p.m.	do.
"TARADA"	10,000	16th Apr.	do.
"SHERALA"	7,841	29th Apr.	do.
"TAKLIWA"	7,938	9th May	do.
"TILAWA"	10,008	18th May	do.

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"NELLORE"	6,853	2nd May	do.
"TANDA"	6,966	—	do.

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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	29th Mar., 10 a.m.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"SHIRALA"	7,841	6th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	8th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	15th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	22nd Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	29th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	6th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	13th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	20th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	27th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	3rd June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	10th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	17th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	24th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	1st July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	8th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	15th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	22nd July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	29th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	5th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	12th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	19th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	26th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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"KASHGAR"	16,568	16th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	23rd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	30th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	7th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	14th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	21st Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	28th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	4th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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"KASHGAR"	16,568	25th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	2nd Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	9th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	16th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	23rd Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	16,568	30th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.

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